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Zaire's bid for ties may be first of many

By BENNY MORRIS
and DAVID LANDAU
Post Diplomatic Staff

Senior officials in Jerusalem are hopeful that a number of African states will soon follow the example of Zaire, which on Friday announced its intention to resume diplomatic relations with Israel.

A senior aide of Zaire President Sese Seko Mobutu was expected to arrive in Jerusalem last night and is to meet today with Prime Minister Menachem Begin, Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamir and Defence Minister Ariel Sharon about the resumption of relations.

Arab League assails Costa Rican decision

TUNIS (Reuters). — The transfer of the Costa Rican Embassy to Jerusalem was described by Arab League Secretary-General Chedli Kibbi as provocative and "a flagrant violation of UN resolutions and international law."

In Jeddah, Saudi Arabia, Habib Chatti, secretary-general of the 43-member Islamic Conference Organization, denounced the Costa Rican move as an unfriendly act and said it could have a negative impact on the Central American state's relations with Islamic nations.

Chatti said Islamic countries "will not remain silent over this challenge, which affects their dearest holy places."

night that the Zaire announcement represents "a definite breakthrough in our relations with black African states," relations almost completely severed in 1973.

It is understood that Israel will urge Zaire to re-establish its legation in Jerusalem rather than in Tel Aviv. Mobutu announced the breaking off of relations with Israel in a speech before the UN General Assembly on October 4, 1973, two days before the outbreak of the Yom Kippur war.

The re-establishment of relations with Zaire, announced by Mobutu on Friday night in a speech to the ruling party in Kinshasa and by Zaire Foreign Minister Yod Yoka Mangongo to Arab ambassadors in Zaire's capital, followed what a senior Israeli official described as "very hard work" by the Foreign Ministry over the past two years. He said the re-establishment of ties with black Africa was one of the major targets set by Shamir when he became foreign minister in February 1980.

In March 1981, ministry director-general David Kimche, who reportedly spearheaded Israel's drive to re-establish the ties, visited Kinshasa, met with Mobutu and obtained agreement on the establishment of an Israeli resident interest office, working from a European embassy, in the Zaire capital. A Foreign Ministry employee with the rank of counsellor has been running the office in Kinshasa for more than half a year.

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10.7% rise in April Inflation climbing faster than in 1981

Post Economic Reporter

The Consumer Price Index rose in April by 10.7 per cent, it was announced on Friday.

This rate is the same as in April 1981, but for the first third of the year the inflation rate reached 33.1 per cent, the highest since 1953, when CPI figures were first measured, for the first four months of the year.

If the present pace of price hikes continues, the annual rate of inflation will come to 136 per cent, compared to 117 per cent in 1981.

The increase in inflation is a blow for the Treasury, since the April rate was high despite the Finance Ministry having delayed until May price rises for basic commodities, fuel, electricity and public transportation.

The figures released by the Cen-

tral Bureau of Statistics show that the April's CPI stands at 390.4 points compared to a baseline of 100 for 1980. This means that an average family needs IS14,390 to purchase the same basket of goods and services it could buy with IS3,680 in 1980.

These figures are expected to intensify the demands of the Histadrut in the current negotiations for new national wage agreements in the private and public sectors.

Histadrut secretary-general Yeroham Meshel said last Friday that April's rate of inflation proves that the "controlled price increases" method of the Treasury has failed. Meshel demanded that the ministry publish a new projection for the annual rate of inflation.

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The British Defence Ministry yesterday released this picture of the April 26 surrender of South Georgia by the South Atlantic Island's Argentine commander, Lt. Cmdr. Alfredo Astiz, aboard the frigate Plymouth. Astiz is still being held for questioning by the Swedish and French authorities concerning the killing in 1977 of a Swedish 17-year-old girl and of two French nuns a year later. (UPI telephoto)

10 Argentine planes hit in UK commando raid

LONDON. — British troops landed in the Falkland Islands on Friday in a "commando-type" raid on Argentine installations and then withdrew, the Defence Ministry said here yesterday.

The assault came as British negotiators flew to London to confer with Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher on the chances of averting all-out war with Argentina in the South Atlantic.

The Defence Ministry said British forces raided Pebble Island, north of West Falkland, on Friday night, blowing up parked Argentine planes and an ammunition dump.

The Argentine military command confirmed the assault on the Pebble Island airstrip but claimed only three planes were damaged.

Asked whether the operation was a commando strike, a British Defence Ministry spokesman said, "it was a commando type of raid." Of the Argentine forces involved, he said they were ground forces.

The spokesman, John Wright, said the raiders withdrew to the task force after the mission. He emphasized, "This was a raid and not an invasion of the Falkland Islands." He said all British personnel involved returned safely with only two minor casualties.

"A number of aircraft and a large ammunition dump were destroyed," Wright said, but gave no further details. But defence sources said that the 10 destroyed aircraft were Pucara ground attack planes, and that there were some Argentinian casualties.

The raid marked the first time Britain has acknowledged putting forces on the Falklands since Argentina invaded the islands on April 2.

The commando action followed Friday's Harrier jump-jets raid on Port Stanley airport and surrounding positions. The three aircraft involved returned safely to base, the Defence Ministry said.

(UPI, Reuters)

Government counters charges on rise in deaths 157 Arabs killed in areas by IDF, police before 1977

By BENNY MORRIS
Post Diplomatic Reporter

A senior cabinet source on Friday claimed that 157 Arabs were killed in the West Bank and the Gaza Strip by security forces between 1967 and 1977 in street clashes of the sort in which more than a dozen Arabs died in the past three months.

Reacting to these figures, Labour MK Yossi Sarid said last night that they were greatly inflated, but was not able to go into details.

The cabinet source was himself responding to a recent Labour Party charge that more Arabs were killed by security forces in the past three months than during the whole decade — 1967-77 — in which the Labour Party governed the country.

The source added that from 1967 to 1977, the Israeli government destroyed 1,200 houses of West

Bank and Gaza residents, exiled 800 and held "hundreds" of suspects without trial in administrative detention. The source pointed out that "only a handful" of houses have been demolished since the Likud took power, "only two" Arabs have been expelled from the territories (while eight expellees have been allowed to return to the area) and "today there are no administrative detainees at all."

The source recounted that in 1976, while then opposition leader Menachem Begin was visiting the U.S., he watched on television IDF tanks surrounding the casbah of Nabulus and saw troops pull out Arab women's hair. "Begin immediately rushed back to Israel and the following day met with then prime minister Yitzhak Rabin privately, and said that such IDF behaviour was not good for Israel."

Tehran warns Gulf states against more aid to Iraq

BEIRUT (AP). — Iran yesterday warned oil-rich Arab nations of the Persian Gulf that they would "undoubtedly sustain losses" if they came to Iraq's rescue in the Gulf War.

The warning came in a statement issued by the Iranian Foreign Ministry as the foreign ministers of Saudi Arabia and five other Gulf nations met in an emergency conference in Kuwait to assess Iran's latest war gains.

The statement, reported by Iran's official IRNA news agency, said Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's

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Kaddoumi reportedly invited to Washington

BEIRUT (UPI). — An independent Lebanese newspaper said yesterday that a senior Palestine Liberation Organization official will visit Washington in June at the invitation of Lee Hamilton, chairman of the sub-committee for European and Middle Eastern affairs of the Foreign Relations Committee in the Congress.

The daily *Al-Nahar*, in a despatch from Paris quoting Zehdi Terzi, the PLO observer at the UN, said Farouk Kaddoumi, head of the PLO political department, has been invited to confer with the committee.

Khaled Hassan, PLO chairman Yasser Arafat's political adviser, who is in Paris for an international seminar on the rights of the Palestinian people, confirmed that the PLO had received an invitation from the Congress and said that Kaddoumi would also meet Republican Sen. Charles Percy of Illinois.

The invitation would be the first ever extended to a PLO official.

15-year-old Nabulsi shot during riot

Jerusalem Post Reporter

A 15-year-old youth was wounded by soldiers in Nabulus yesterday, security forces have confirmed.

Mezzem Marwan Nimer was shot in the abdomen during demonstrations sparked off by the anniversary of the creation of Israel (according to the date in the Gregorian calendar), a traditional day of protest among Palestinian Arabs. He is under care in Nabulus Hospital.

Minor disturbances were also reported in Jenin, leading to the closure of public and civic institutions in several towns, particularly in the north of the West Bank. Large numbers of troops were on hand in the event of trouble.

The West Bank civil administration has initiated contacts with a number of local personalities with a view to appointing them to replace local mayors and Israeli civil servants appointed in place of the deposed mayors of Nabulus, Ramallah and El-Bireh.

Those approached include a judge in Jenin and a Ramallah politician, Judge Zuhair Bustani of Nabulus, who was also approached, has already indicated that he would not accept any position in the municipality.

Salah Zayehka, a journalist working for the East Jerusalem daily *Al-Shaab*, was detained by police over the weekend, apparently in connection with his alleged work on behalf of the Golan Druse.

Bereft and deeply anguished
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Mayor of Kfar Saba

He died while working for the good of the city.

The coffin will lie in the plaza of the Municipal Cultural Centre today, Sunday, May 16, 1982 (Iyar 23, 5742) between 2 and 4 p.m., when the public will be able to pay last respects.

At 4 p.m. the cortege will leave for the cemetery, passing by City Hall.

During the funeral, shops and offices will be closed.

Washington, PLO dampen war rumours

Eitan confirms IDF buildup in the North

Jerusalem Post Staff
and Agencies

Two tough interviews by Chief of Staff Rav-Aluf Rafael Eitan over the weekend fuelled rumours of imminent war on the Lebanese front. But subsequent reports from Israel, PLO sources in Lebanon and in administration circles in Washington did much to dampen these rumours.

In an interview with *Yediot Aharanot* on Friday, Eitan confirmed for the first time that Israel had concentrated troops along the Lebanese border and had put the regular army on alert.

Eitan said, "Now we're sitting and waiting... I can't hide the troops... with today's devices one can read the make of your car from a height of 500 kilometres."

"The terrorists can be seriously weakened only by a military action, not political action," Eitan stressed. He insisted, however, he was not saying that military action would be taken.

Foreign reports say 40,000 Israeli troops have been moved to the border.

Wolf Blitzer, the *Post's* correspondent in Washington, adds:

In Washington the administration has been closely monitoring the Israeli military build-up, aroused by a series of tough public Israeli statements suggesting that the 10-month cease-fire was dead.

But for the most part, there were no signs in Washington yesterday that the Reagan administration anticipated any immediate outbreak of hostilities. Indeed, on the surface at least, top U.S. officials seemed at ease.

One U.S. source suggested that Israel's bold statements may be designed to exert psychological pressure on the PLO, and its Syrian allies in Lebanon. "When the Israelis want to take action, they move," he said. "They usually don't talk about it so much."

Philip Habib who met with President Reagan did not talk to reporters upon leaving the White House.

Habib's deputy, State Department official Morris Draper, is scheduled to leave later this week on a two-and-one-half week visit to the Middle East, mostly focusing on the problems in Lebanon. In a press conference televised live from the White House yesterday, President Reagan had the following to say on the tense situation along the Lebanese border: "With some minor flurries, our cease-fire has held for nine months now. The word we get from both sides is that they want it to continue."

Despite the moderation in its public statements, the U.S. has made it forcefully clear to Israel over recent days that it opposes an IDF incursion into Southern Lebanon following recent PLO violations.

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Large bomb defused on Jaffa Road

Jerusalem Post Staff

Three suspects from East Jerusalem are being held in connection with the planting of a large bomb on Jaffa Road on Friday afternoon, police said last night.

The explosive device, which police said could have had a devastating effect, was defused by a police sapper 15 minutes before it was timed to go off.

According to police, a citizen called them (Telephone: 100) about 1.30 p.m. to report a plastic bag with electrical wires protruding from it that had been placed in a telephone booth next to the Beit Yoel office

building. Police closed the area to traffic and shoppers. Then the police sapper checked the object. Upon detecting it was a big bomb, he decided to use the remote-controlled robot device, which fired several bullets in it to break it apart. The sapper then defused it.

According to police, the bomb was set to go off at 2.15 p.m., just 15 minutes after it was defused.

Police ask citizens to be especially wary of suspicious objects, particularly since Jerusalem Day is approaching. The public is urged not to hesitate in reporting suspicious objects to the police.

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CHICAGO	18	23	32	Cloudy
COPENHAGEN	10	16	16	Cloudy
FRANKFURT	10	16	16	Cloudy
GENEVA	5	11	23	Clear
HELSINKI	5	11	23	Clear
HONG KONG	21	28	28	Clear
JOHANNESBURG	12	24	23	Clear
LONDON	11	16	24	Clear
MADRID	12	24	23	Clear
MONTREAL	5	13	16	Clear
NEW YORK	12	18	23	Clear
OSLO	7	15	16	Clear
PARIS	13	18	21	Clear
RIO DE JANEIRO	17	23	30	Clear
SÃO PAULO	18	24	30	Clear
STOCKHOLM	8	15	19	Clear
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THE WEATHER

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Jerusalem	Yesterday's	Today's	Max
Jerusalem	21	12-29	31
Golan	32	13-29	31
Nahariya	28	15-25	27
Safed	11	15-28	30
Haifa Port	30	19-24	26
Tiberias	42	16-24	36
Naazareth	25	16-24	31
Afula	29	16-31	33
Shomron	20	12-30	31
Tel Aviv	25	17-28	29
B-G Airport	27	16-31	33
Jericho	24	18-35	37
Gaza	28	18-25	27
Beer Sheva	21	15-32	34
Eilat	18	23-38	38

SOCIAL & PERSONAL

The "Broad Horizons" Auditorium in the Faculty of Humanities, presented by Jacob and Dorothy Hendel and Walter and Helen Zwig (Toronto, Canada) was dedicated last week on the Mount Scopus campus of the Hebrew University of Jerusalem, in a ceremony presided over by University Vice-President Bernard Chertok and in the presence of Jacob and Dorothy Hendel.

Birth

CARMELI — To Jenny and Ezra Carmeli, a daughter, sister to Simone and Robert, at the Kaplan Hospital, on May 14, 1982.

ARRIVALS

Gerard Daniel, president, World Union of Progressive Judaism, and Mrs. Ruth Daniel, chairman, Budget Committee, WUPJ, for meetings with movement leadership.

Isac Leo Seeligman, professor of Bible

Isac Leo Seeligman, professor emeritus of Bible Studies at Hebrew University, died at home on Thursday and was buried on Friday in Jerusalem. He was 75.

Born in Amsterdam, Seeligman studied at the Jewish Theological Seminary in that city and at Leiden and Amsterdam Universities.

During World War II he was interned with his family at Theresienstadt. He arrived in Israel shortly after the establishment of the state, and was appointed to the faculty of Hebrew University in 1950.

His areas of expertise were the history of Bible research and the translation of the Septuagint. He was a corresponding member of the Royal Dutch Academy for Arts and Sciences.

Prof. Seeligman leaves a wife, two daughters and grandchildren.

Soviet visitors join WWII commemoration

Thousands of Israelis turned out yesterday in the Red Army Forest in the Judean Hills to commemorate the 37th anniversary of the allies' final victory over Nazi Germany and the 40th anniversary of the Israel-USSR Friendship Society.

The crowd heard greetings from Soviet President Leonid Brezhnev, delivered by the head of a delegation which arrived from Moscow on Friday, Leonid Serov. Two other members of the delegation, singers, led the crowd in Russian folk songs and songs of the partisan fighters.

Mapam MK Naftali Feder delivered greetings from the Committee for Improving Relations with the USSR, and expressed hope that diplomatic ties will be restored between the two countries. (Itm)

MARCH — Over 6,000 persons participated in yesterday's Carmel Park march organized by Hapoel and the National Parks Authority. Druse and Israeli folk dancers entertained walkers at the event's conclusion.

To Yehuda Assia

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HOME NEWS

Eitan orders probe of army 'brutality' report

By JOSHUA BRILLIANT
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV — Chief of Staff Rav-Aluf Rafael Eitan has ordered that the military police investigation branch check reports that soldiers serving in the administered territories have unnecessarily resorted to violence against Arab residents.

Military sources, however, said they were not aware of any case in which a military governor was recently removed from his post for irregularities. The sources were commenting on a report by the United Kibbutz Movement that three West Bank governors were removed and a commander discharged for breaches reported by kibbutz members who served in the territories.

The allegations which the military police were ordered to investigate were made by Peace Now members who recently completed reserve army duty in the territories. One officer was battalion commander Rav-Seren (res.) Yuval Neriya; and the others held the rank of seron and segen (captain and lieutenant).

The Peace Now members gave a detailed report last week to the judge-advocate general, Tat-Aluf Dov Shefi, and to Haim Yisraeli, the

defence minister's assistant. Shefi and Yisraeli later reported to Eitan, who then ordered the investigation.

The Peace Now members held a press conference in Jerusalem last week, but avoided detailing their complaints in order not to violate the military code which forbids passing on information one learns in which innocent people suffered. They said there was a "general atmosphere" which legitimized inflicting bodily injuries. Soldiers who claimed they directed their guns at demonstrators' feet hit other parts of the demonstrators' bodies, they said.

In some cases, Arab detainees were forced to serve soldiers and to clean latrines, the Peace Now members said. Some Arabs were treated so badly that they could not stand, Segen (res.) Rami Avni charged.

Responding to the kibbutz movement's charges, the army spokesman last night said that a reservist company commander who had wanted to join the permanent army had been rejected, because of suspected improper behaviour.

Poll says half of K. Shmona would flee new bombardment

Jerusalem Post Reporter

KIRYAT SHMONA — Half of this northern border town's residents would leave the city if serious hostilities break out again in the region between Israel and the PLO, according to a recent survey.

Of those who said they would leave, half would leave with their entire families, and half would leave the father or some other family members in town.

About 30 per cent responded that they would remain under any circumstances, and 20 per cent were not sure what they would do.

The survey was taken by psychologist Menachem Amit, who heads the Health Ministry's mental health department in the city.

Asked what Kiryat Shmona's main problem was, most residents responded that employment is the factor most likely to cause them to leave. But in two neighbourhoods, security was cited as the main concern.

Nevertheless, many of the town's residents listed positive feelings about Kiryat Shmona as the main reason for remaining. In one neighbourhood, the number choos-

ing this answer was 75 per cent, but in two other neighbourhoods, a majority said that they remain primarily because they have nowhere else to go.

The survey's questionnaire was answered by 250 residents, representing a cross-section of age, background, occupation and socio-economic status.

Amit concluded from his study that any efforts to increase unity and improve services in Kiryat Shmona would automatically contribute to a decision by residents to remain and face future difficulties together. On the subject of children being sent away during bombardments, he concluded that if the physical situation concerning shelters and the like is up to par, remaining in the city would be considered a challenge which most residents would want to meet. But as long as the objective conditions and morale are low, there is no reason to turn the children into martyrs, he said.

Amit's survey was taken with the cooperation of the Beit Edelstein community centre, the municipality and Kupat Holim.

INFLATION CLIMBING

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that would serve as a basis for the agreements, since the accord's objective is to prevent a decrease in real wages.

Meshel added that in the present situation the treasury would not dare to hold back from wage earners the IS245 salary-erosion compensation given in the first three months of the year, and which was deducted from public employees' salaries last month.

The acceleration in the rate of price increases is expected to make inflation a central political issue again. Labour Party chairman Shimon Peres declared on Friday that he will propose that the Alignment present a no-confidence motion against the government over the inflation issue. MK Gad Ya'acobi, chairman of the Knesset Economic Committee, said that April's CPI proves that the "good economics policy" of the Treasury is nothing more than a "deception."

Finance Minister Yoram Aridor, who returned last Friday from a tour of Central America, pointed out that last year inflation decreased in Israel. In Europe and the U.S., inflation has also dropped, he said, but this has been done by increasing unemployment. Aridor added that he is opposed to fighting inflation by such methods and is prepared to resist pressures for such a measure.

April's CPI was pushed primarily by jumps in the price of housing (10 per cent); housing maintenance

(15.7 per cent); clothing and footwear (29.8 per cent); and food (5.9 per cent).

Other price rises were fruits and vegetables (11.4 per cent); furniture (7.2 per cent); health care (11.6 per cent); education and entertainment (10.1 per cent); communications (5.7 per cent) and miscellaneous (11.2 per cent). The wholesale price index went up by 6.7 per cent in April, showing a 31.5 per cent increase for the first third of the year.

The price index of inputs for residential construction climbed by 10.6 per cent in April (36.5 per cent in the first four months of the year) and the agricultural-inputs price index rose by 8.2 per cent (36.7 per cent in the first third of the year).

Inflation can be lowered only by taking unpopular steps, and these would be possible only if both major parties were in the government, according to MK Yigal Cohen-Orad, coordinator of the Likud faction in the Knesset Finance Committee.

Interviewed on Kol Yisrael's weekly newscast yesterday, Cohen-Orad and his opposite number from the Alignment, MK Ady Amoral, both said inflation was only a symptom of a larger problem, the balance-of-payments deficit.

"The average Israeli has it good," Amoral said, "because we're getting help from outside. But even if all the help were in the form of grants — and actually only a small portion is in grants — we're losing our economic, political and maybe even military independence by taking such help."

TEHERAN WARNS

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Ba'ath Party regime was on the verge of collapse as a result of battlefield victories Iran scored in a 15-day-old general offensive in its southwestern oil province of Khuzistan.

The statement accused the U.S. of seeking to rescue Iraq from final defeat in the 19-month-old war on the northern flank of the Persian Gulf by pushing other nations of the region to help Iraq and "confront

the Islamic Republic of Iran." Besides Saudi Arabia, members of the Gulf six-nation Gulf Cooperation Council are Kuwait, Bahrain, Oman, Qatar and the United Arab Emirates.

The Iranian statement warned the conferees in Kuwait that stability in the Persian Gulf region would never be secured without "the great power of the Islamic Revolution" of Iran.

Kuwait called for the emergency conference of the foreign ministers of the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) earlier in the week following Iraq's admission that it withdrew its forces from most of war-conquered Khuzistan.

Saudi Arabia and neighbouring nations poured \$30 billion of aid into the Iraqi treasury in 1981 to help the Baghdad government cope with the war costs. Iran's recent victories were seen by these nations as a threat to their own security because of Khomeini's vow to export his revolution that toppled Iran's monarchy three years ago.



U.S. Ambassador Samuel Lewis poses with the cast of the American musical 'Ain't Misbehavin' at a reception given for them by the ambassador and his wife Sallie Lewis.

U.S. says Rhodesia filched Israel's surplus helicopters

WASHINGTON (UPI).

American-made helicopters and spare parts were diverted from Israel — without Israel's knowledge — to Rhodesia four years ago, despite a trade embargo, during the guerrilla war for the independence of Zimbabwe, the U.S. said yesterday.

The violation of the U.S. embargo highlighted the difficulty of sealing off a country from exports and imports just as the House Foreign Affairs Committee voted on Friday to resume trade restrictions against South Africa. They were removed by President Ronald Reagan's administration three months ago.

The disclosure of the four-year-old violations came from the International Trade Administration, an arm of the Commerce Department, as it revoked trading licences of the Singapore aircraft dealer Jamson Aviation which arranged the transfer from Israel. The ITA banned all future licences until the year 2001.

The company denied the charges. At issue were 11 U.S.-built helicopters — \$4.3 million worth —

originally provided to Israel but declared "surplus."

At the time the Jimmy Carter administration was imposing a trade embargo against Rhodesia's white minority regime, the UN imposed economic sanctions and Israel was bound by an agreement not to transfer U.S. material to another country without permission. None of the restrictions made any difference.

Documents filed April 29 by trade investigators, and made public by the Commerce Department, show that the Singapore company's managing director, Richard Kwik, signed an emergency export licence application with the U.S. government in April, 1978.

The application was promptly granted. In it Kwik said the 11 helicopters and additional spare parts from their U.S. manufacturer were to be shipped to an Indonesian island for use in a logging operation.

Instead, investigators found that "unknown to both the Office of Export Administration and the Israeli government, Kwik had previously arranged to resell the helicopters to a third party" — Rhodesia.

ZAIRE'S BID

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Resident Israeli interest offices are also operating in the capitals of Kenya, Ghana, the Ivory Coast and Gabon, and Israeli officials expect that one or more of these countries will be the next to follow the Zaire lead.

There are also a number of non-resident Israeli interest offices in Africa and Israel has large-scale commercial ties with Nigeria, a major oil-producing African country, as well as embassies in Lesotho, Swaziland and Malawi.

Israeli expectations that the Zaire breakthrough will be followed by others is based on the centrality of that country on the African continent and on its size and relative importance in the African community.

Foreign Ministry officials stressed last night that it was their diplomats' initial activities in Kinshasa which enabled the renewal of special relations between Zaire and the Israeli defence establishment.

In September, Shamir met with seven black African foreign ministers, including Zaire's, in New York, and urged them to renew ties.

A programme of Israeli military assistance to Zaire has been in operation for the past several months, sources in Tel Aviv said last night. They would not give details, but said that before the cutoff of relations, the IDF conducted training programmes for the Zaire forces.

The Tel Aviv sources cited Defence Minister Ariel Sharon's visit to Zaire last November as a key to the restoration of relations. The minister spent two days in Kinshasa, conferring at length with Mobutu in his palace, at his farm, and on a cruise-boat on the Congo River.

The theme of the talks was the threat of Soviet expansionism — both to Africa and to the Middle East. The practical result was the signing of an agreement of understanding between the two countries. Some implementation was to begin at once, but Sharon insisted that an improvement of ties between Israel and Zaire must include the resumption of diplomatic relations.

Mobutu indicated that he would act on this after the Israeli withdrawal from Sinai.

In April, shortly before the Sinai withdrawal, an aide to Sharon met secretly with a Zairian emissary in Europe.

The sources in Tel Aviv stressed that all Defence Ministry activities in Zaire and in other African countries are pursued in full coordination with the Foreign Ministry.

It is understood that several dozen Israeli civilian experts, mostly in agriculture, are today working in Zaire, and that Israel has offered to increase substantially the number of experts and expand aid into health and technology, after the resumption of full diplomatic ties.

"We expect that trade and assistance ties will substantially increase following the resumption of

relations. Both sides will want to show that the re-establishment of ties has been beneficial to them," said one Israeli official last night.

One senior official linked the Zaire decision with that of Costa Rica, which last week announced that it was returning its embassy from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem. "Taken together, the two moves may be seen as an indication of a newborn attitude and atmosphere of goodwill towards Israel following the completion of our withdrawal from Sinai," he said.

The official stressed that the Sinai withdrawal was especially important to African states, which view Sinai as part of Egypt and of Africa. On a personal level, Mobutu has always remained a friend of Israel. In 1963 he graduated the parachute-school jump course in Israel. "He was one of the better African pupils," said an Israeli source.

Israeli leaders earlier this year reportedly asked French officials, during the visit here of President Francois Mitterrand, to help renew Israeli relations with French-speaking African states. "Nothing so far has come of this" said an Israeli official last night, but there are hopes that Gabon and the Ivory Coast, both former French colonies, will be among the first to follow Zaire's lead, he said.

A Saudi newspaper said yesterday that Nigeria, Kenya and the Ivory Coast were "attempting to convince a number of African countries to restore their relations with Israel," AP reports.

The newspaper *Al-Madina* based its report on information obtained from an Arab diplomatic source in Tunisia who attended an African-Arab cooperation meeting in Dakar, Senegal, recently.

The African countries are coming under increased Zionist-European-American pressure — more than at any time in the past — to restore their relations with Israel," the source was quoted as saying.

Jordan calls Zaire's action 'serious'

AMMAN (Reuters).

Jordan yesterday described as a serious measure Zaire's decision to restore diplomatic relations with Israel.

Jordan's official news agency, Petra, said the Foreign Ministry had asked the Organization of African Unity, the Arab League, and the Islamic Conference Organization to inform their member states of Zaire's "serious measure."

Woman dies of stabbing

A woman of 35 died in Hadassah Hospital on Mt. Scopus last night a half hour after reaching the emergency ward with stab wounds. Police are investigating the circumstances of the stabbing and how the woman, who was described as "known to the police," reached the hospital. (Itm)

Everyone must choose own destiny—Colombo

By DAVID LANDAU
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Post Diplomatic Staff

Italian Foreign Minister Emilio Colombo has called on Israel "as friends who believe in the principle of democracy" to accept that "the principle of choosing their own destiny must be applied to everyone."

In written answers to questions from *The Jerusalem Post*, Colombo added: "The other side of the problem is...the acceptance by the Arab world of the existence and security of Israel as fundamental elements in a comprehensive peace." He said Italy wished success to the autonomy negotiations "but we do not neglect, also on the basis of elements gathered in the Arab countries, that the negotiation framework in which the discussions are held at the moment do not yet receive the consensus sufficient for a true alternative of peace."

The Italian statesman flew home on Friday after an official visit to Israel. On his way, by Italian Air Force jet, he touched down at Sharm el-Sheikh to visit the Italian naval unit attached to the Multinational Force, which is policing the Straits of Tiran.

Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamir saw him off at Ben-Gurion Airport with much show of mutual friendship. The two men became acquainted when Colombo was chairman of the European Parliament and Shamir was Speaker of the Knesset. Shamir said Colombo's

visit here had been successful and friendly, and the talks with him had been broad-ranging and frank.

Earlier in the day, Colombo had called on Prime Minister Menachem Begin and heard a lengthy exposition on why Israel rejected Palestinian "self-determination."

Begin also discussed the situation in Lebanon, and explained that Israel "cannot tolerate" the PLO's interpretation of the cease-fire, bold face.

Asked by *The Post* for his impressions on this issue, Colombo replied: "Of course, the very delicate equilibrium of Lebanon is fundamental at the moment, and nobody must for any reason upset it. It seems to me that the Israeli government, although it has its own interpretation of the terms of the Lebanese truce, is aware of this problem."

Asked whether Italy sees Gaddafi's Libya as a threat to peace in the Mediterranean, Colombo replied: "We have complex relations with Libya, undergoing difficult moments at times. The Libyans say they want to maintain relations with Europe and also with the U.S. It is of no use to anyone to interrupt this dialogue; the results could be comparable to those of Nasser's Egypt. I think that with such an approach these dangers can be avoided."

Begin took the opportunity of Colombo's visit to discuss the career of one of his historical heroes, 19th century Italian military leader Giuseppe Garibaldi.

B'sheba children still on critical list

BEERSHEBA (Itm).

Two young children, injured when a power line fell on them after being severed during Thursday's storm, are still in serious condition in Soroka Hospital.

The children, Ofer Harush, 9, and his sister Margalit, 5, were playing in the courtyard of their home when the line touched them. A neighbour who saw the accident used a stick to remove the live power line from

them and rushed the children to hospital.

The wind and rain storm caused an estimated \$15 million damage, and the municipality has set up an emergency squad to make repairs. Mayor Eliahu Nawi has also asked Housing Minister David Levy for government aid in repairing damage. About 2,400 telephones were put out of operation during the storm in which 44mm. of rain fell on the city during two hours.

2 Beduin caught after crossing border

By MOTTE BEN-YANAI
Jerusalem Post Reporter

PITHAT SHALOM. — Two infiltrators who stole across the Egypt-Israel border east of Kerem Shalom were caught hiding in the Moshav Yivul last week.

The infiltrators, Beduin from the Pithat Rafiah area, crossed the border by cutting through the security fence. They then moved towards Yivul, also cutting through the

moshav's security fence.

An IDF patrol discovered the break in the security fence at the border and followed their tracks to the moshav. The two Beduin were found hiding in the fields.

Settlers attacked the infiltrators but were restrained by the soldiers.

The infiltrators were returned to Egypt as required by agreements with Israel.

EITAN CONFIRMS

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In diplomatic messages Washington has left "no room for misunderstanding or confusion," according to well-placed sources. "Israel knows full well that the U.S. doesn't want them to do it."

For "tactical reasons," however, the administration has apparently decided to keep these firm warnings private while adopting a more moderate tone in public. The reasoning is that more overt pressure could be counter-productive by stirring up the hawks within the Israeli government.

In an interview with Israel Television, Eitan said the PLO terrorists had on five occasions attempted to shoot Katyusha rockets at Israeli settlements from Jordan.

He said rockets were fired at Ha'on, Ashdot Ya'acov and Maoz Haim in the Jordan Valley. None of the rockets hit the settlements.

The other two rocket attempts were foiled, Eitan said. He said he had recently been urged by a visiting defence minister to behave "like Europe." I told him that's exactly how we are behaving — like Europeans. Someone steps on our toes, we chop off his head. That's how Europeans have always behaved."

Eitan's interview seemed to indicate a change in Israel's strategic thinking on how to fight the terrorists. Earlier Eitan was on record as preferring many, limited operations.

In this weekend's interview with *Yedioth*, he said Israel should use its massive force and not guerrilla tactics. "What happens if UNIFIL soldiers, or a wagon with women and little girls hit a mine (we plant against terrorists)? I won't indicate the exact spot where a terrorist Katyusha fell but they'll show all the women and children who hit the mine...and they will profit from it (politically)," he said.

"However, since I've spent billions of dollars building an unusual system, I can and must use it," the Chief of Staff declared. The idea was to get the terrorists to fear that Israel had set a high price for their attacks. Israel's reprisals should be proportional not to the force the PLO used "but to our own capability, they laid a mine...and I may be in Beirut tomorrow, maybe all their artillery will be knocked out, or maybe all their headquarters will be destroyed. Under such circumstances they'll think a million times...whether to plant the next mine."

Nissim tells Post Security forces study crowd control in areas

By BENNY MORRIS
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The security forces are studying methods of controlling crowds in the territories which may help avoid fatalities, Justice Minister Moshe Nissim told *The Jerusalem Post* on Friday. He would not comment on whether the use of rubber bullets is one of the means being considered.

All military governors in the territories have recently been given a detailed handbook called *Main Points of Policy and Means of Implementing Them*. The Justice Ministry prepared the handbook for a subcommittee of the Ministerial Defence Committee and the MDC subsequently approved it.

Nissim pointed out that "recently" there have been very few applications by residents of the territories to the High Court of Justice. He said the dismissed West Bank mayors did not apply to the court because of "the very careful legal groundwork our officials and experts have been doing prior to taking any action in the territories."

In contrast, the security forces' "mistake" in preventing free movement of Golan Druse who do not hold ID cards was made, he said, because the Golan is "Israeli territory" and the security forces' actions there are not meticulously planned and legally scrutinized in advance, as they are in the territories.

Nissim was referring both to Attorney-General Yitzhak Zamir's recent ruling that the maximum penalty the state can impose on a person failing to carry his ID card is a \$500 fine, and to Zamir's implicit criticism of the security forces for imposing illegal travel restrictions.

The Justice Minister said that the moment this "mistake" was caught, the travel restrictions and roadblocks were removed. The mistake had been made "in all innocence," he said.

Nissim denied that vigilante action by Jewish settlers in the West Bank against Arabs is widespread. He also denied that the police and judicial authorities are "lenient" towards Jewish settlers in the territories who commit crimes against Arabs.

"We investigate each case and bring suspects to trial," he said. Neither is there a breakdown of law in the country, he said. The mass violations of the law and attacks on soldiers by diehards who opposed the withdrawal from Sinai during the last days of Yom Kippur were "an historic exception," Nissim said.

"People are not always tried for demonstrating illegally. As to illegal settlements, this government has always — with the exception of Beit

Hadassah in Hebron — promptly evicted illegal settlers, unlike the previous Labour governments," Nissim said, referring to the Labour government's vacillation towards the early settlers in Kiryat Arba, Kedumim and Sebastia.

Regarding the lack of national consensus about a possible invasion of South Lebanon by Israel, Nissim blamed the Labour Party for creating "war hysteria" and divisiveness, and for revealing the content of secret talks with Prime Minister Menachem Begin.

"They have caused Israel real political damage," Nissim said. He also said that those who leak details of meetings of the Ministerial Defence Committee — "as occurred recently" — should be brought to trial. He was referring to a recent report on Israel Radio giving details of the committee's deliberation of the Lebanese border situation.

Nissim implied he had an idea who was responsible for leaking the report to Israel Radio reporter Shimon Schiffer. But "we have no means of discovering the leaker, because the prime minister refuses to use the General Security Service or other investigative bodies against elected representatives," he said.

As to reports over the weekend of Israeli troop concentrations in the North, Nissim said that such concentrations "can serve different purposes," implying they were not necessarily primarily or completely directed against the PLO and Lebanon. "On no account will we allow a recurrence of Yom Kippur," said the minister, referring to the 1973 war, when Israeli forces were caught unprepared for the Syrian-Egyptian attack. "But Israel should not allow its actions to be determined by internal critics or external political factors," Nissim said.



Moshe Nissim (Auerbach)

Naor: I had authority to reveal secrets

Former cabinet secretary Arye Naor on Friday denied having been unauthorized to pass to journalist Ra'anan Lurie information that might have helped Ronald Reagan in his race for the U.S. presidency. He also denied that giving such information might have damaged the interests of the State of Israel. Naor is being tried by a civil service disciplinary court for behaviour unbecoming a civil servant by making this information available to Lurie.

The information concerns a telephone conversation between former U.S. President Jimmy Carter and West German Chancellor Helmut Schmidt. During Thursday's hearing, Naor said that during the conversation Carter had allegedly made anti-Semitic remarks.

Naor told the court on Friday that he was authorized to discuss all state affairs with journalists and even reveal state secrets. He said he did not think he had intervened in the U.S. election campaign between Carter and Reagan by giving this detail to Lurie for his use.

He had done so in order that Lurie should check its reliability with Schmidt and if found true, its source in Israel should not be made known.

Nevertheless, Naor admitted, he had made a "serious error" by writing down the information on a slip of paper which he passed to

Lurie. This violated secrecy but it was an innocent error for which he could be faulted, but not be tried in court.

He also told the court that when he passed the information to Lurie he felt, "as an Israeli citizen," sympathetic to Reagan for his policy on settlement in the territories.

Naor also said he had not misled Lurie by giving him the information which had already appeared in an afternoon newspaper. It was up to Lurie to check the story's reliability, Naor said. Naor also said he had not known at the time that the information was part of the files of the Prime Minister's Office. (Itim)

Israeli jailed in Cyprus for stealing jewelry

LARNACA, Cyprus (AP). — An Israeli citizen, Issi Binisvili, 55, was jailed for seven months here yesterday for stealing jewelry worth \$15,000.

Binisvili was arrested May 7 as he was about to board a ship bound for Haifa, after police searched him and found the jewelry sewn into pockets in his underwear.

The prosecution told the court the jewelry, mainly gold pieces, found on the man, had been stolen from a local shop two days earlier.



Dr. Ido Periman of the Technion's medical faculty performs an electrophysiological vision test with apparatus recently obtained by the school. The tests enable separate evaluation of several components of the vision process: retina, brain, and the connection between them, and do not require cooperation from the subject, which is especially useful in diagnosing young children and babies. (Yair Nahor)

WEEKLY STOCK MARKET REVIEW

Roof nearly comes down, then gets propped up again

By JOSEPH MORGENSTERN
Post Finance Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Investors and speculators alike experienced a reminder last week that the stock market can also go down. After three sessions in which prices fluctuated sharply, though the direction was generally up, the roof nearly caved in on Wednesday.

In a concerted selling drive, equities suffered the sharpest one-session loss since the traumatic days of last February. Non-banking securities got whacked for a 3.75 per cent loss, and along the way nearly 130 securities fell by 5 per cent or more.

Analysts were quick to point out that the market was overdue for profit-taking. Yet this was far from explaining the current market conditions.

On the one hand there are massive sums available for investment. There is also a market psychology which fuels continuous speculation. Once a gain of 2-3 per cent a week was considered highly satisfactory, as it implied that one's savings were more than keeping up with inflation. Now the same market players want to see their holdings go up by 5 per cent or more a session. It is this atmosphere which is responsible for the sharp fluctuations. And it was no wonder that on Thursday the share market rebounded.

The atmosphere is charged with the uncertainties over major changes in the tax law. The tax proposals were to come up for consideration in the Knesset last week, but the government was busy with other matters. The situation in Lebanon also causes concern. Therefore it is of little surprise that the fluctuations persist.

This is generally an optimal time for bringing new issues to market. The funds are available and in the hands of a public which is looking for new winners. Currently there are some 15 issues in various stages of preparation. The first of these to be offered will be that of Cyclone Aviation Products. The roughly \$52m. issue is being underwritten by the company's parent, Etz Lavud. Subscription rolls will be opened for two days beginning today. The way the market absorbs this small issue will undoubtedly be an indicator as to how the other new issues will fare.

The index-linked bond market continued to inch up higher as the Bank of Israel continued to give this sector a strong upward guiding hand. Currently, new issues are yielding fairly much the same as bonds traded on the market.

The shekel was devalued by 1.2 per cent in terms of the dollar. In terms of sterling, however, local currency fell by 2.2 per cent.

WALL STREET WEEK

Shares take a little slide as investors grab 40 winks

NEW YORK (AP). — By many accounts, the stock market got "tired" this past week, a term bandied about in way of explanation of the market's hesitation after its spring gains.

A "tired" market usually indicates a vacuum of significant factors affecting securities as a whole — such as economic news — thereby giving corporate news heightened importance.

The Dow Jones average of 30 industrials, which began this past week at its best level since January 29, fell 11.42 points on the week, to 857.78. That cut in half the 20.84-point gain it had managed the previous week.

Northerners sneezing and wheezing, study finds

HAIFA. — Fifteen per cent of the population in northern Israel suffer from allergies and over 6 per cent

have asthma and other respiratory illnesses. The proportion is greater in Haifa, due to air pollution, according to the Histadrut's Kupat Holim health care service.

The service has organized a four-day professional meeting of medical specialists on the subject at its Linn clinic here, starting tomorrow.

A Kupat Holim spokeswoman stated that overseas studies had shown a 50 per cent reduction in respiratory illnesses following a 50 per cent drop in air pollution, with the reverse occurring if pollution increases.

At the meeting, up-to-date information on treatment will be given, and parents of children suffering from these diseases will be instructed on ways of helping them.

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Reports of pupils' drug use 'distorted'

By CHARLES HOFFMAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

A sociologist who conducted a comprehensive study of drug use among high school pupils took the police, the news media and the Education Ministry to task yesterday for distorting the extent of drug use in this age group.

Prof. Yehudit Shoval conducted the study together with Dr. Rahel Ya'avez in 1979 for the ministry. She told *The Jerusalem Post* that "the extraordinarily high figures quoted by the police and conveyed by the media in a sensational manner are not, to the best of my knowledge, based on any systematic research."

She said that the ministry figures released in rebuttal to the police claims distort the findings of the 1979 study. The ministry stressed that only 2.3 per cent of Education Ministry pupils from grades seven to 12 ever used drugs, while 8.5 per cent of pupils in Labour Ministry vocational schools did so. The study covered only soft drug use, mainly hashish.

Publicizing the average for all grades understates the extent of the problem, she said. The ministry statement

omitted one of the study's main findings — that drug use and exposure to drugs rises with age. For example, she said that in the 12th grade, 7.5 per cent of Education Ministry pupils and 15 per cent of Labour Ministry pupils had smoked hashish at least once. Moreover, 32 per cent of the first group and 43 per cent of the second group knew others who had used soft drugs.

The police told the Knesset Education Committee last week that more than 50 per cent of high school pupils had smoked hashish at least once at parties.

Shoval said that while the rates of soft drug use found in her study were low compared to other western countries, "they do not belie the seriousness of the problem. The findings should arouse serious public concern, but not hysteria, which will not contribute to a constructive solution to the problem."

She added that drug use was found among young people of all social groups and places of residence, and tended to occur among those already displaying "problematic behaviour." A "much higher" percentage of young people were exposed to drugs than actually used them, she said.

Ze'ev Geller, veteran mayor of Kfar Sava, dies at age 60

By YIGAL BICHCOV
Special to Jerusalem Post

KFAR SAVA. — Kfar Sava was shocked on Friday afternoon by the news that Mayor Ze'ev Geller had died following a heart attack during a meeting on allocations to educational institutions in the city. He was 60 years old.

For two hours, a first aid team tried to resuscitate Geller at his office, and the attempt was continued in the intensive care unit at Meir Hospital. He was pronounced dead at 1:30 p.m.

Geller was prominent among small city mayors. He began to work for the Kfar Sava municipality as a messenger in 1938. He was born in Poland in 1922 and came to this country in 1937, a year after his brother Gedalia, a leader of the Gordonia movement, was murdered in the Arab-Jewish clashes of the period.

During World War II, Geller served as a volunteer in the Jewish Brigade of the British Army, and was involved afterwards in smuggling Jewish refugees to Italy and from there to Palestine. He joined the IDF during the 1948 War of Independence. He then became secretary of the Kfar Sava local council, serving from 1949 to 1965, during which time he undertook the responsibility for Kfar Sava's education system. It remained at the centre of his attention after he was elected mayor in 1965. Under his administration, Kfar Sava became the first city to offer free education to three- and four-year-olds. He was proud of the open university founded in the city.



Ze'ev Geller

Two months ago, Geller was unanimously chosen as the Labour Party's candidate for another term as mayor.

He established a network of cultural centres in the city, including a large central cultural hall featuring well-known artists.

Geller's coffin will be on view from 2 to 4 p.m. today in the plaza of the municipal cultural centre, and from there it will be taken past City Hall to the municipal cemetery.

He is survived by his wife, two daughters and several grandchildren, and a sister.

CHILDREN. — Festivities and enrichment programmes open the Week of the Child today for some 8,000 youngsters in the care of Labour and Social Affairs Ministry institutions.

Electric workers continue sanctions

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — The 6,000 employees of the Electric Corporation who completed a three-day strike on Friday are continuing their work disruption. They are demanding automatic upgrading for half of the 7,000 staff, as has been usual in the corporation in the past three years. The 1,000 employees who man the power stations and the most essential services were exempted from the strike.

The corporation's national works committee ordered the strikers not to work yesterday, "to honour the coalition agreement banning Sabbath work." Starting this morning they will work eight hours but will not work overtime.

The disruptions have caused several local power failures due to breakdowns in the distribution network. These are likely to increase if the dispute is not settled. The management has rejected the committee's demand, which it considers forbidden by the Finance Ministry.

Blaze in transformer disrupts Haifa power

HAIFA. — A fire in one of the big transformers of the Electric Corporation's Haifa power plant at 10:45 on Friday caused short power cuts in some parts of the city.

The fire brigade rushed to the scene with 16 engines and managed to control the fire and prevent it from spreading to other transformers.

The brigade also put out a fire on the seventh floor in a high-rise apartment building in Hativat Golani Street, caused by children playing with matches.

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DEADLINE EXTENDED

Haig in Athens, seeks renewal of U.S. bases

ATHENS (Reuters). — U.S. Secretary of State Alexander Haig met Greek Prime Minister Andreas Papandreu yesterday hoping to set the stage for a new agreement on U.S. military bases without inflaming Greek-Turkish tensions.

Haig arrived from Ankara, his first stop on a week-long overseas trip, where he called for the two Mediterranean rivals to resolve peacefully their disputes over the Aegean.

In his Ankara remarks, Haig sought to sidestep a delicate issue posed by Greek calls for Washington to issue a statement backing Greek sovereignty in event of outside attack — a veiled reference to Turkey.

Greece has interpreted an April 19, 1976 letter from then-secretary of state Henry Kissinger as a promise to back it in case of an attack.

Haig, asked repeatedly whether the Kissinger letter remained valid, said: "I'm aware that there's a letter of the kind referred to, in the file, and that's where it is."

Renewal of the U.S. commitment

is one of the conditions set by Papandreu's Socialist government for renewing its approval of four major U.S. military bases in Greece.

Haig's visit is the first to Greece by a senior U.S. official since Papandreu won a landslide election victory last year after campaigning against the bases and NATO.

Papandreu's government has since softened its opposition to the bases, part of the NATO system, expressing readiness to negotiate their future in light of Greece's national interests.

Greece and Turkey have long been at odds over Cyprus and have been embroiled as well in a complex dispute over territorial rights and air space in the Aegean Sea.

Greece has been annoyed at the extent of U.S. military aid given to Turkey — \$465 million in the fiscal year beginning next October 1 — and seeks advanced weapons of its own from the U.S.

The Reagan administration has been reluctant to provide the kind of sophisticated systems sought by Greece, but on the other hand, is

keenly interested in renewing the agreement covering four major bases, including a deep-water port at Souda Bay.

Haig was met on arrival by Greek Foreign Minister Ioannis Haralambopoulos and other officials. Haralambopoulos said the talks here would lay the groundwork for a meeting between Papandreu and U.S. President Ronald Reagan in West Germany next month.

Haig was due to fly on to Luxembourg for this week's meeting of NATO foreign ministers after calling later yesterday evening on President Constantine Karamanlis.

N. Korean infiltrator killed near truce zone

SEOUL (AP). — South Korean troops killed a North Korean infiltrator early yesterday south of the truce zone on the east coast, the counter-espionage command announced.

Two other North Korean infiltrators were believed to have escaped to the sea and an intensive search was under way.

Soviets blame Britain for 'illegal acts'

MOSCOW. — The Soviet Union has stepped firmly into the Falklands crisis for the first time, telling Britain it is breaking international law by imposing naval and air exclusion zones in the South Atlantic.

Britain's ambassador to Moscow, Sir Curtis Keeble, was summoned to the Soviet Foreign Ministry on Friday and told by Vladimir Suslov, head of the ministry's second European department, that "these actions clearly contradict the 1958 Convention on the High Sea and consequently, are regarded by the Soviet side as unlawful."

A British Embassy official said the British ambassador had expressed surprise at the terms of the statement, which he considered "ill-founded."

Meanwhile in Hamburg French President Francois Mitterrand and West German Chancellor Helmut Schmidt said that they will stand by "our comrade and ally" Britain "as long as the conflict lasts" over the Falkland Islands.

But both also made it clear that they were reluctant to mar relations with Latin America, and stressed the need for a peaceful solution to the conflict. (Reuters, AP)

Cosmonauts board space lab

MOSCOW (UPI). — Two Soviet cosmonauts left their transport capsule yesterday and checked the life support, energy and temperature control systems aboard the Salyut 7 space station, Tass reported.

Cosmonauts Anatoly Berezovoi and Valentin Lebedev, both 40, were adjusting normally to weightlessness, the Soviet news agency said.

Tass said their health was good and they were "feeling fine."

The 20-ton space station and the capsule that docked with it Friday were in an orbit ranging from 343 kilometres to 360 km. from earth.

The temperature inside Salyut 7 was 20 Celsius, Tass said.

Shutting the Soyuz T-5 capsule was completed yesterday after the crew had checked the systems, including radio communications equipment, aboard the space station.

The cosmonauts were launched Thursday, 24 days after the launch of Salyut 7. Its predecessor, Salyut 6, still is in orbit after 4½ years.

Still yesterday also announced the launch of Cosmos 1365, a satellite carrying scientific equipment on an undisclosed mission in earth orbit.

Large Soviet warship ablaze in Baltic

STOCKHOLM (Reuters). — The identity of a large Soviet warship reported on fire in the Baltic Sea remained a mystery yesterday.

Swedish coastguards were unable to give any further information about the vessel's identity, but said that the fire appeared to be under control and that a second Soviet warship had gone to the scene.

They said that the vessel caught fire west of the Lithuanian port of Klaipeda, inside the Soviet territorial waters, which prevented Swedish aircraft from responding to the vessel's distress signal.

The signal was partly garbled and the vessel's name could not be deciphered, they reported. A Swedish spotter plane pilot on the fringes of the Soviet waters could not identify the vessel but described it as a large warship, coastguards said.

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The apron at the Braniff International terminal at the Dallas/Fort Worth airport last Thursday was a jumble of jetliners as pilots simply landed and went home after the Texas-based airline dismissed almost all its 8,000 employees. Braniff, which unexpectedly announced suspension of services on Wednesday night, said that it was reorganizing and had no plans to go into liquidation. (UPI telephoto)

U.S. Senate votes \$178b. for 1983 military spending

WASHINGTON (Reuters). — The U.S. Senate approved \$4.8 a \$178 billion 1983 military budget on Friday, giving president Ronald Reagan \$5.5b. less than he originally requested.

Although the president ultimately agreed to the cut as part of a compromise, the bill goes strongly against his wishes in other respects. It eliminates \$750m. Reagan requested to base the controversial MX nuclear missiles temporarily in existing missile silos while a permanent basing scheme is revised.

The bill also scraps Reagan's call to build Lockheed C-5 military transport planes for rapid shipment of heavy equipment such as tanks and artillery to distant trouble spots.

Instead, the Senate opted for the cheaper Boeing 747 cargo jet, although administration officials said its doors are too small to accommodate the needed heavy equipment.

But the bulk of the president's proposed military programmes remain intact in the bill. Two nuclear-powered aircraft carriers were approved, despite efforts to delete them on grounds that they are too vulnerable and too costly at over \$3b. each.

Opponents of the carriers cited the recent destruction of the British destroyer Sheffield by a single guided rocket in action off the Falkland Islands. "We will end up building a seagoing Maginot Line, a naval museum rather than an effective navy," said Senator Gary Hart.

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South Africa has Soviet helicopter inside Angola

PRETORIA (AP). — South African jets destroyed an armed military helicopter on the ground during a raid into Marxist-ruled Angola, Defence Force headquarters announced on Friday.

The terse statement provided further details on where and when the attack occurred.

The statement did not say if the helicopter was manned by Soviet or Cuban troops, but it was not beyond the statement wording. He added, however, that the helicopter had been from Angolan air force, the command would have said so.

The spokesman said the chopper was hit as it was unloading supplies for SWAPO, the South West African People's Organization which is fighting a guerrilla war for the independence of South West Africa.

Pretoria's troops have frequently crossed into Angola to bomb SWAPO bases and last week reported killing four Soviet soldiers and two women, and wounding a fifth.

South African jets also claimed to have shot down military jets piloted by Cuban troops.

40,000 youths in Austria's peace march

VIENNA (UPI). — More than 40,000 youths from all over Austria yesterday held a "march of peace" in this country's biggest demonstration since World War II.

Police said there were no incidents as the crowd marched to a rally in front of the city's town hall where they demanded "disarmament in East and West."

Some 1,200 policemen were on hand to prevent violence during the demonstration organized by young political and religious groups from extreme left to right.

Organizers rejected charges that it was an anti-American and sided demonstration directed mainly against NATO's intentions start deploying new missiles Europe in 1983.

"We are not one-sided," an organizer said. "We are against Soviet SS missiles as well as against U.S. Pershing missiles and we want both superpowers to stop the nuclear arms race."

New Yugoslav president under rotation plan

BELGRADE (Reuters). — President Stambolic on Friday became president of Yugoslavia in succession to Slobodan Milosevic, who ended his year term at the head of the country's nine-man collective presidency.

At the same time Vladimir Bakarić became vice-president for the next 12 months. After that will take over from Stambolic. The system of rotating top jobs annual was introduced after the death of Tito, who was president for life.

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As the Polish reform movement slowly into memory, it is interesting to reflect that the one communist state where most of the original goals have been achieved is in dire economic straits. In Yugoslavia, workers have long strived for a change, since many people are still unaware of the depth of the abyss we are heading for if we continue in this irresponsible way.

40,000 south in Austria's peace march

VIENNA (AP) — A demonstration here today against the presence of Soviet troops in Czechoslovakia and Poland was the largest since the end of the war.

Police said that the demonstration was peaceful and that the demonstrators were not carrying any weapons.

New Yugoslavia under rotation

VIENNA (AP) — The Federal Ministry of Justice and Police says 240 cases of espionage have been uncovered in Yugoslavia since 1948. In two-thirds of the cases, Soviets and other East Europeans were implicated, often operating under diplomatic cover.

In the past 16 months, at least five Soviet diplomats suspected of illegal intelligence-gathering have been ordered out of the country.

"Considering the large number of cases, there's no doubt there's quite a lot of espionage activity in Yugoslavia," says Ulrich Krebs, a spokesman for the Justice and Police Ministry. "It's very, very attractive for spying, obviously."

Foreign agents in Switzerland have been detected seeking confidential banking information, spy- ing on exiled dissidents, pursuing industrial and technological secrets and gathering intelligence about third countries.

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NEW YORK (AP) — A British diplomat in Somalia has been accused of being 'naive' in his assessment of the situation in the country.

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Mortgaging the future

By GWYNNE DYER/London



After Tito, a bill for economic folly is coming due.

is almost as large as Poland's, and considerably greater on a per capita basis. There are 800,000 unemployed, almost 15 per cent of the work force, and the figure would be twice as high if an equal number of Yugoslavs had not found work in various Western European countries.

The post-Tito collective leadership admits that living standards have fallen by 13 per cent in the past two years, and publicly blames lazy workers. Because an elaborate system of safeguards makes it practically impossible to dismiss even the most incompetent, drunken or absentee employee, government officials say, the average effective working day in the country now is 5 1/2 hours, not 8.

Self-management had stressed the rights of workers above their obligations, said Deputy Prime Minister Zvezdana Dragan recently, adding ominously: "This will have to be repaired." Lazar Mosojov had already told his increasingly dissatisfied fellow-citizens: "You will have to tighten your belts for years to come. Learn to live with less energy, buying less, and accepting declining living standards."

WHAT THE LEADERS did not say (because they dare not) is that this failure is not a mere misfortune, but a natural product of the system. Self-management has doubtless saved Yugoslavia a great deal of the political bitterness that pervades other, more closely controlled com-

munist states, but economically it manages to combine some of the worst features of both Eastern and Western systems.

The worker-controlled enterprises inevitably distributed all their profits, if any, in wages and other benefits for their members. Investment therefore has to come almost entirely from government sources, which means in practice that the money is either borrowed abroad (the reason for Yugoslavia's huge foreign debt) or simply printed by the government (which accounts for most of the inflation).

But nobody is really responsible for ensuring that the investments are profitable, and the stories of wasted investment are almost as numerous as in Gierke's Poland before 1980. During the past two decades Yugoslavia has consistently had to invest three times as large a proportion of its income as Portugal, a country with a similar per capita GNP, in order to attain the same growth rate.

The bill for this long run of economic folly is now coming due, and it is very steep. Yugoslavia has only managed to keep its massive foreign debt afloat recently by trading more and more heavily with Soviet-bloc countries, even though Zvezdana Dragan admitted last year that this could have "negative consequences" for the country's independence.

At home, the political need to transfer huge sums of investments from the rich, efficient, northern parts of the country to the poor and backward southern parts, in the interest of national unity, effectively blocks any real economic rationality. Things cannot go on this way much longer — but they almost certainly will.

Yugoslavia's new rulers are now gradually tightening the economic screws, but they will not risk serious political unrest.

The author is a London-based freelance journalist who specializes in international affairs.

Non-sexist facelift

By ROBERT GLASS London

A REVISED *Roger's Thesaurus*, the 130-year-old book of synonyms and antonyms, was published recently which eliminates words its editor says are sexist, biased, prejudiced, twisted, jaundiced, warped, closed, illiberal and narrow-minded.

"Mankind" becomes "human-kind," a "countryman" is a "country dweller," and a "rich man" is a "rich person" in the first revision of the British reference book in two decades.

"It makes much more explicit the existence of women. Before, they were just assumed," says its editor, Susan Lloyd.

Lloyd, a 41-year-old housewife and mother of two teenagers, spent three and a half years adding or reclassifying 20,000 words and phrases for the 1,247-page revised volume.

In addition to trying to eliminate sexist words and phrases, Lloyd introduced scores of expressions that have gained currency in the past 20 years: punks, solar panel, genetic engineering, test-tube baby, jumbo jet, multinational, positive discrimination, to name a few.

The revised volume also contains entries under the new headings of micro-electronics and data processing.

supplement of *The Times* of London. Although she had edited newsletters and other publications, she said that it was her first attempt to edit a book. She sought "advice and help" from expert lexicographers but was given sole responsibility for the revision.

She did not attempt to eliminate all words that might be considered sexist, she said, but rather to change the category headings to make them "as wide-ranging and neutral as possible."

But she kept some masculine keywords, such as "master," because she could think of no suitable substitute. "Mistress" has an entirely different meaning," she noted.

Asked whether some men might object to the changes, Lloyd said: "If men take offence, I suppose it's because they thought 'mankind' meant 'man' and not 'woman,' and that's the whole point."

Lloyd said she did not consider herself a feminist in the sense of someone active in the women's movement but said, "I'm keen on women's rights and men's rights."

"I'm not making a statement (about feminism). I'm just reflecting the changes in the languages."

(Reuter)

Deadly trade

By MICHAEL SHERIDAN Palermo

THE MAFIA godfathers of Palermo are battling each other and the law over a deadly heroin trade to the United States worth millions of dollars a year.

About 60 per cent of the heroin sold in the eastern United States passes through Palermo, U.S. drug enforcement administration (DEA) agents say. Twenty per cent of the west coast supply is also blamed on the "Sicilian connection."

The stakes are high and the hills that ring Palermo form a natural battleground in the murderous struggle between the rival *cosche*, or families, who are estimated by the DEA to have made at least \$600 million from heroin since 1976.

Few people inquire deeply into the Mafia's lucrative trade — and live long to talk about it.

Deputy Police Chief Boris Giuliano tried — he was killed by unknown gunmen in 1979. In the same year, a tough judge and a police captain were also killed.

The latest to try is investigating magistrate Giovanni Falcone, whose predecessor was killed. Falcone has sent 76 accused mafiosi to trial.

The 1,500-page indictment names members of the Gambino, Sanzillo, Spatola and Maggio clans and gives an insight into the workings of the racket.

Informed sources in Sicily, however, say that although the indictment is revealing, it does not cover some new trends.

In 1980, a series of laboratory raids and arrests led police to hope they had begun to turn the tide. In fact, the Sicily-New York route is just as profitable as ever for the gangland chiefs.

Police discovered a huge refinery making pure heroin from morphine base in a seafaring villa on February 11. But the sources say police are aware of at least three other refineries operating in the Palermo region.

The Sicilians let down their guard and hired French chemists.

Testimony from courier-turned-informers says the favourite routes across the Atlantic for the heroin couriers are the Concorde flights to New York and Washington and other flights from Switzerland to the U.S.

The vast sums of money flowing home have made the godfathers sharp businessmen who run the trade like executives of a multinational enterprise.

Falcone returned from Brussels recently after interviewing Belgian courier-turned-informer Albert Gillet, who has provided what one police source called "golden information" on the methods used.

MOST MAFIOSI still distrust even the most discreet Swiss banks, as millions of dollars in cash are hand-couriered back to the island regularly.

Rivalry over the cash has spawned a vicious gang war, the periodically leaves bullet-shattered bodies in downtown Palermo and is apparently beyond police control.

The Falcone indictment shows how deeply the roots of Mafia corruption run in this deprived city, where the infant mortality rate is high, ancient slums and palaces decay side by side and political power has been sustained for 40 years by the Christian Democratic Party and religious tradition.

The Mafia investments are an open secret. Driving along the once unspoiled northern coast, the traveler sees construction everywhere, gaudy villas, jerry-built apartment blocks and modernistic complexes to cater to the tourist boom that Sicilians say is just around the corner.

In one case, Falcone says, a northern building firm was intimidated into handing over a housing contract to a company controlled by the Spatola clan.

A meeting of investigators in January heard that about 213 businesses, mainly in construction, are under Mafia control.

(Reuter News Service)

Cloak and dagger under the Alps

By JOSEPH CAMPBELL/Geneva

IN FEBRUARY, an officer of the Soviet KGB, Karl Kruminsch, and his East German wife were sentenced to prison by a court in Zurich on charges of using Switzerland as a logistical base to collect information about Iran.

Perhaps the country's most fertile zone for intrigue is Geneva, which Krebs says seems to hold "a special attraction" for spies. Geneva police concede espionage is an "intense" pursuit in this city, which is home to 122 diplomatic missions, 14 major international organizations and the European headquarters of the United Nations.

Western agents, though their numbers are understood to be fewer, are also at work.

A veteran Geneva police source said that for Western and Eastern agents operating in Geneva, diplomats from Third World countries are favourite targets.

"It's an intense fight," said the source, who has served in Geneva's small but efficient counter-espionage service. "The two big powers are always trying to penetrate Third World countries by using diplomats as intermediaries."

A strong Soviet espionage presence has long been suspected at Geneva's sprawling UN complex.

THE APPOINTMENT nearly four years ago of Gely A. Dneprovsky as personnel division chief of the UN in Geneva prompted a spate of published reports that the Russian was a ranking KGB agent.

The then-U.S. ambassador in Geneva, referring to the suspected KGB affiliation, expressed "concern" about Dneprovsky's appointment in a letter to UN officials.

The UN secretary-general at the time, Kurt Waldheim, agreed to consider the accusations "very carefully." He ultimately said he had found no proof that Dneprovsky, who has access to thousands of confidential personnel files, was a spy.

For all the activity, espionage rarely produces public sensation in Switzerland. The most memorable case was the trial and conviction in 1977 of a Swiss brigadier-general, Jean-Louis Jeanneret, on charges of passing national defence secrets to Soviet military attaches stationed in Bern, the Swiss capital.

Allegations of international espionage often incite diplomatic rows.

Federal officials submitted a formal protest to the Soviet Embassy in March after two Russian diplomats were ordered out of Switzerland. One was accused of third-country spying; the other, of seeking to induce a Swiss citizen to supply infor-

mation from the Foreign Affairs Ministry.

THE SOVIETS asserted the incidents were "inventions" and warned the Swiss that such cases could damage bilateral relations.

In 1979, the body of a Soviet diplomat, Leonid Panchenko, was found in the bathroom of a hotel in Aarau, Switzerland. His wrists had been slashed.

Swiss officials, said an autopsy, showed Panchenko committed suicide. The Kremlin asserted Panchenko was "killed brutally," perhaps by Swiss counter-intelligence agents, and said the case was reason to question whether Switzerland was a suitable home for international organizations.

Suspicious of economic espionage have generated antagonism between Switzerland and Western countries, most recently with neighbouring France.

Two French customs officers investigating the illegal flight of capital were arrested two years ago and charged with offering inducements to a former employee of the Union Bank of Switzerland in the hope of obtaining a bank listing of French clients. They received suspended prison sentences.

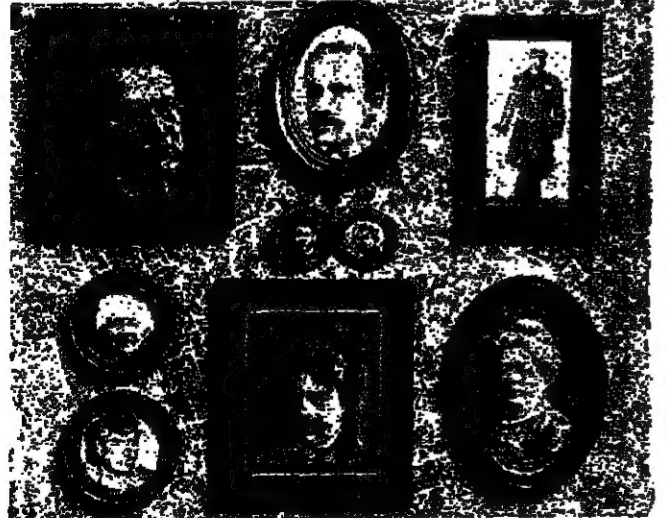
But, banks are not the only revered Swiss institutions that have become the targets of would-be spies.

An apprentice at the Suchard-Tobler S.A. chocolate manufacturer was arrested in 1980. He was accused of copying about 40 of his employer's recipes and offering to sell them at the embassies in Switzerland of the Soviet Union, East Germany, China and Saudi Arabia.

(The Associated Press)

STREET PEOPLE

by Helga Dudman



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Sobering experience

By JEFFREY HELLER/Jerusalem Post Reporter

THE 30 MEMBERS of Alcoholics Anonymous, who last Saturday attended the meeting celebrating the 25th anniversary of the founding of an Israeli branch, represented by a few of the 7,200 known alcoholics in Israel.

This is a select group, says an alcoholic from Haifa, looking around the hotel lounge. "It's a pity others aren't here."

Attending an AA meeting is a sobering experience — even for the non-drinker.

"But for the grace of God" reads one of the many signs on the walls, and from the stories that make the rounds, alcoholism is a disease in every respect and can happen to anyone.

The Ministry of Labour and Social Welfare has 7,200 alcoholics listed in its files. Ten per cent of them are women, says Penina Eldar, director of its alcohol rehabilitation unit.

A decade ago, the average age of an alcoholic was 55, Eldar says. It is now down to 41, pointing to an increase in the number of young alcohol drinkers. The average alcoholic is married, has four

children, and needs help, she stresses.

Eldar is also vice-chairman of the Israel Society for the Prevention of Alcoholism, which has branches in Jerusalem, Tel Aviv, Haifa, Ramat Gan, Beersheba, Kiryat Gat, Beit Shemesh, Merom Hagalil, and Dimona. The society, whose symbol features a picture of a man trapped inside a corked bottle, has 623 members.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS came to Israel seven years ago, says a member of the northern branch, and most of those who attend are immigrants from English-speaking countries. Tourists, who belong to AA groups abroad, also attend local meetings.

All age-groups were represented at the anniversary meeting. Behind each face there was the story of an addiction that is never cured, of a disease that can only be arrested by going "cold-turkey" and never again taking a drink.

"The alcoholic's problem is that first drink," says the man from Haifa. "After that, he's finished."

The most poignant testimony to life as an alcoholic was told by a

U.S.-born man who now lives in Israel. He's in his 50s, and was an alcoholic.

"My first drink was just at the end of World War II. At the time I thought it was the thing that men do — and it felt good... I found when I'd had a hard day, a drink was good and I could relax. Two were even better, and three were great."

He got married, started a family, and began drinking not only at night, but also during the day.

"I would wake up at three in the morning, scared — and not knowing why. I found if I had a drink, I would help."

He began hiding bottles around the house, and finally, kept one wrapped in a brown paper bag under his bed.

"At three a.m. I'd take the bag, and even with all that rattling, I'd sneak it to my lips — that's crazy," he says emphatically.

"The kids were scared to death of me, and my wife stopped talking to me," he adds. "I knew it was wrong, but I didn't know how to stop."

He tried all the different tricks before he turned to AA. "One of them, switching from rye to wine



didn't help. I got fat."

A five-day booze binge almost six years ago, when he was just short of his 49th birthday, turned the tables. Begging off from work because of the shakes, he went into a bar and had a drink. Suddenly, he couldn't move his leg. The feeling in the limb returned 30 minutes later, but when he tried to walk down the stairs at a nearby subway station, he fell flat on his face.

Helped by passersby, he managed to get to a telephone and call his wife.

She said "I'm not driving 30 miles into town to get a drunk," Jim recalls.

His children drove in, but begged him not to come home. "This was the first time I was sick enough of myself in a bottle to do something," he says.

He checked into a detoxification

centre, where the bars on the windows forced him to take a good look at himself.

He stayed for five days, and on the third, he attended an AA meeting at the centre.

"I thought, sure, go to the AA meeting to see all those drunks down there, but they were like me — except they were smiling and happy," he remembers.

He reached a conclusion: "If these folks can do it, maybe I have a chance."

From then on, it was separating life from booze one day at a time. Occasionally, it would get down to minutes at a time. The craving for alcohol occupied his every thought. But when things got bad, he could call his AA sponsor and other friends from the branch for support.

Now, although he and his wife are not reconciled, "the kids and I get along fine."

He says he's "changed a hell of a lot," and can, for the first time, feel good about himself.

"Those years," he says, "I would paint them in greys and blacks, as opposed to today when life is beautiful and full of colours."

Enthusiastic applause issues from an audience that has been there, too. Everyone joins hands and recites the AA creed:

"God grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change... courage to change the things I can... and wisdom to know the difference."

the legislative authority, and not interfere.

Moreover, the decisions of the Knesset in regard to its relations with the government generally involve a strong political element with which the judicial authority should not concern itself, so as to avoid "the politicization of the judicial process."

The accepted practice in England, Justice Barak continued, which is that parliamentary proceedings are altogether excluded from the area of judicial review, is not accepted in Israel. It was necessary, however, to create a judicial balance based on self-restraint by the judicial authority, but not going as far as complete non-interference.

Justice Barak said the desired balance between the rule of law and respect due to the Knesset in regard to its internal affairs would be achieved by adopting a test that takes into account the degree of damage to the fabric of parliamentary procedures and the parliamentary system itself.

To the extent that the impairment of internal parliamentary procedures is slight, and does not affect the foundations of our parliamentary system, consideration of the independence and exclusive character of the Knesset is to be preferred to the consideration of the rule of law. It is then right that the judicial authority should refrain from considering a matter that is political in nature. But, where the damage is considerable, and impairs the substantive values of our system of government, the necessity of upholding the rule of law takes precedence over all other considerations.

IN LAYING down the above test, Justice Barak said it was the intention of the court to present a flexible rule, one not subject to precise definition, whose scope and content will be decided by the court according to the necessity of each particular case.

As for the case before it, Justice Barak concluded that even if the court assumes that the respondent had deviated from the Constitution of the Knesset — a point on which the court made no finding — such deviation was of a minor character, and must be corrected by the Knesset itself, within the framework of its own organs and internal administration. No real damage had been done, as would have been the case had the possibility of holding a vote of no-confidence been completely frustrated or seriously impaired. In such an event, the intervention of the court would have been justified.

The petition was denied. The reasoned judgement of the court was given on March 1, 1982.

THE QUESTION before the court, Justice Barak continued, was by no means a simple one. It involves a conflict between two opposing considerations. On the one hand, there is the principle of the rule of law. In its formal aspect, it requires all the organs of the state, including the Knesset, to obey the law. Acting in breach of the Constitution of the Knesset, means breaking the law, for the Constitution contains the law pertaining to how the Knesset is to fulfill its parliamentary duties and exercise its political mandate. Judicial review is vital to ensure the fulfillment of these functions, and the rule of law.

On the other hand, there is the principle that Knesset procedures are its own internal concern. From the point of view of the separation of powers, they belong to the legislature itself, which has the means to test and examine its own decisions. The judicial authority should respect the internal affairs of

THE DEATH this month of Franzel Dorot has deprived Ashkelon of a pioneer and Israel of one of the last of the old breed of hoteliers. Franzel preceded the era of hotel chains, group travel and democratization down to the lowest common denominator. And his style of running the Dagon was intensely personal; it was based on giving individual attention to every guest, an approach that he shared with his wife Edith, who survives him, and to his son Danny.

Franzel Dorot came to Ashkelon in 1954 to manage the Dagon Hotel on behalf of the Afridar Housing Corporation. At that time, it seemed more than possible that the main guests of the hotel would be *sedayeen* from the Gaza Strip. No investor was prepared to go in for so dubious a project, so the Afridar company had to undertake it.

The inspiration of the then mayor, Dr. Henry Sonnabend, put Ashkelon onto the tourist map, and the ability and imagination of the Dorots made the Dagon internationally known as the ideal hotel for people who sought personal at-

Eventually the Afridar company sold the hotel to the Dorots, who trained their son Danny to take over from them. They sent him to Switzerland for special training, but when he returned home, he decided not to return to the Dagon immediately so the Dorots leased the hotel to vegetarians. Fortunately, Danny eventually took it over, and restored it to its former glory.

Franzel remained as his son's adviser; he also served the Tourism Ministry in the same capacity.

He never lost his sense of humour or his zest for life. Born in Vienna, he went to a hotel school there and worked in Austrian hotels until he immigrated to Israel before World War II. In that war he served in the RAOC; afterwards, he joined Shkhem and set up the first canteens for the Hagana and later for the IDF.

The Dagon will go from strength to strength under Danny's leadership, and Ashkelon will no doubt continue to flourish. But the memory of Franzel will live on in both hotel and town. P.G.

Fond farewell

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER/Jerusalem Post Reporter

ASSAULTING the Israel Defence Forces and destroying Yamit was one way of taking leave of Sinai. A quiet tour with watercolours was another. Perhaps it also deserves mention.

Two Haifa sisters, Doreen Guinsberg and Lynn Durlacker, pensioners in their sixties, fell in love with Sinai during the 15 years it was in Israeli hands. They chose to spend three months of the past year in the desert, remembering the places they admired and committing them to paper.

Into their 23-year-old Morris with a little tent on its roof they packed paper, pencils, paints, sleeping bags and food for trips of about a month each, the last ending on the final day Sinai was open to Israeli civilians.

They brought back over 50 watercolours of southern Sinai, all of them painted *in situ*, dozens of sketches and 300 colour slides, not to mention the memories. Each mountain there has a colour of its own, they insist.

The sisters immigrated from South Africa in 1959 and 1963, respectively. After 1967 they visited Sinai frequently, mostly on tours with the Nature Protection Society, where they got used to roughing it. Doreen, who taught interior decorating at the Haifa Wizo school, dabbled in painting for years, but only since her retirement has she been able to devote herself to it. Lynn used to work in the Technion's Public Relations department.

The only luxury they sought in the desert was a bed without rocks. Rather than searching for a piece of even ground every night, they pitched their tent on the roof of their car, which they fitted out with a flat "floorboard," and climbed up a ladder to bed.

The car, of course, restricted them to the places fairly near the roads. In order to get deeper into the desert they parked and hired Beduin camel drivers for trips of up to three days each. To save money they hired only two camels. One Be-

duin owner very practically sized Lynn up as "the thinner one," so she sat behind him while Doreen had a camel back of her own.

They confirmed that travelling by camel over roadless country 20 to 30 kms. a day "does make your back rather sore." Riding right behind her Beduin for three days Lynn discovered that "he didn't smell" as expected; the sisters believe "the Beduin rub a certain herb or 'her bodies' which acts as a very efficient deodorant."

No, they had had no compunctions about entrusting themselves to a strange Beduin, two women alone for overnight trips in the desert.

The Nature Protection guide who worked with the Beduin assured the sisters that they were absolutely trustworthy, and so the proved to be. But agreeing on the price was another story. A trip to a Beduin estimated at "a couple of hours" when he thought they were asking directions for their car turned into "a couple of days" when he realized they wanted to go on hi camels. In one case the Beduin became quite excited by their offer but assured them he would "make more money selling hashish to the Egyptians soon."

They were particularly impressed by the way their Beduin guide made pitia, which really reminded them of the unleavened bread of old forefathers. After kneading flour and water he would flatten it, dough on the hot sand, cover it with cinders from their bonfire and finally "slap the hot pitia like a baby" clean it off. They brought him beer in several of Doreen's sketches.

The sisters did a lot of snorkelling and painted and photographed the Red Sea.

At last the time came to say goodbye to the desert and its Beduin. The sisters wondered what would become of the latter when the Egyptians took over. The answer was perhaps typical: a shrug of shoulders, a strong toothy smile and a resigned *ma la asaf Hebrew* "What to do?"

Biased critics

By LEA LEVAVI/Jerusalem Post Reporter

NO ISRAELI prime minister, no matter how charismatic, could be popular with the American media or with the U.S. Government today. The power of Arab oil wealth is such that Israel, despite its Western values, is not where Western interests are seen to lie.

These are some of the conclusions in a new book, *Oil, Money, Weapons: The Middle East as the Brink*. Its author, Merrill Simon, isn't an academic in the field of Middle Eastern affairs, nor has he ever visited any Arab country. He has been around the world 125 times doing business in the electronics field, and his recent trip here to promote his book was his 59th visit to Israel.

"The U.S. Government and media try to discredit Begin in order to undercut popular support for Israel," he explained to a group of Israeli bookshellers during a dinner held at the Tel Aviv Hilton recently.

"It hasn't worked with the *goyim*; a recent popularity poll showed Begin as the seventh most popular person in the U.S., and he was the most popular non-American. In the Jewish community, on the other hand, and here in Israel, people are very concerned about Begin's account or behaviour or image."

"I think we're doing Begin and ourselves a grave injustice, because I guarantee you that whoever the next prime minister will be, U.S. officials and the press will find something wrong with him; too — just to undermine Israel."

Simon's book is a collection of articles that appeared in *Israel Today*, a California Jewish paper of which he is national political editor, and in other Jewish publications.

"I think the most unique feature of the book is six articles I wrote on the Iraq-Iranian war — written at the beginning of the war, when everyone was predicting an easy Iraqi victory, and I was the only one who wrote that the war could mean the end of Saddam Hussein, which is what *Time* and *Newsweek* have started saying recently."

"All the people who claim they're trying to end the Iraq-Iran war really don't want it to end. There's too much oil around without the 6.5 million barrels a day those two countries used to produce. I would even predict that the next war in the Middle East will be over oil but the other way around: they'll be fighting for the right to sell it."

DESPITE the glutted oil market, Simon's thesis is that since the Yom Kippur War, the Arabs' oil wealth has changed the world in which Jews find themselves.

"Weapons which never would have been sold to the Arabs in the past are being sold now. They could have afforded them in the past, too, but now a huge amount of oil money is coming to a few American corporations, and to the U.S. Treasury in the form of short-term Treasury bills."

"I'm not saying anyone has been bought off directly; I'm only saying money has a way of corrupting."

When the three former U.S. presidents went to Sadat's funeral, "virtually declared war on Israel," nobody wrote in the press that Nixon had just gotten \$2.5m. for his house from the Syrian Government (he bought the house a few years ago for \$400,000) and Ford got \$300,000 a year as a member of the board of a Kuwaiti company.

Simon added that he knew it Jews had come on hard times when, at the end of October 1973, London bookseller who had supplied most of his collection Jewish books suddenly had a Jewish books for sale and denie ever having had any.

"The Jewish community hasn't gotten used to living in a world where they don't like Israel as much as they used to. Western governments have to discredit Israel and to try to undercut popular support so that anti-Israel measure which they think are in their best interest, will be politically feasible."

"I think we'd better learn that they won't love us no matter what we do, unless we turn out the light. You can't make peace unless there's a balance of power; for as long as the Arabs see themselves, and as seen by the West, as powerful, I don't have a chance."

Simon says that his book presents information logically — the way an engineer would write. "I'm simply saying we have to take care of ourselves and stop worrying about what the *goyim* think of us. I sound radical, I should mention that I've been a Labour Zionist for my life, but I'm a free-thinker."

UNTIL Four years ago, Simon was the No. 2 man at Vecco Instruments (Lambda Electronics), a multinational corporation. He resigned the day the Lambda plant in Carmiel opened, and became an independent consultant working with American firms interested in operating branches here.

He is also building his own factory, Interconnect Electronics, Ma'ale Adumim. Simon is also research fellow with the Institute for Strategic Studies at Tel Aviv University and one of the founders of the Centre for International Security, a Washington think-tank which has taken pro-Israel position when other think-tanks haven't. The centre published his book which Simon hopes will be translated into Hebrew.

Meanwhile, he's working on another book, this one about the Rev. Dr. Jerry Falwell, leader of the Moral Majority and author of the foreword to Simon's first book. Simon believes that liberal Jews in the U.S. are wrong to criticize Falwell. "If they don't like his brand of Christianity, or if they want to disagree with him on abortion, that's fine. But if they can go to the National Council of Churches, which supports the PL and says the Jews killed Christ, we can't they accept friendship from Falwell, who accepts Israel's positions on the Golan, Judea and Samaria and doesn't support it PLO?"

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Sports

Kfar Sava win at the post

By PAUL KOHN
Post Sports Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Hapoel Kfar Sava are the new National soccer champions, making sure of their inaugural title yesterday. It was not, however, an inspired finish; the point was garnered from a goalless battle against relegation-threatened Shimshon, the only thing that finally stood between Kfar Sava and their more fancied neighbours from Netanya.

There was both sorrow and celebration in Kfar Sava last night following the death of Mayor Ze'ev Geller and Hapoel's clinching of the championship for the first time.

But in the wine town of Rishon LeZion no champagne flowed in the streets as the local Hapoel were relegated with Betar Tel Aviv and Hapoel Petah Tikva to play second division soccer next season.

Replacing these three teams in the National League next season will be Hapoel Lod, Hapoel Ramat Gan and Maccabi Yavne.

Only with the last kick of the National League season could Kfar Sava claim the 1982 title. They were being held to a goalless draw by Shimshon in Givatayim. But the point thus gained — though hardly earned — was sufficient to clinch the championship. In Netanya, meanwhile, challengers Maccabi hammered Rishon 4-1, to end the season just one point behind Kfar Sava.

After being out of the game because of injuries for the past



Kfar Sava players and fans run a lap of honour after clinching the National soccer League title for the first time with a 0-0 draw yesterday against Shimshon Tel Aviv (Keren)

Israel Hajjaj goal. David Lavie regained the two goal lead for Netanya shortly before halftime and Maccabi crowned a magnificent season by scoring his 26th goal shortly before the end to clinch the 4-1 result.

Betar Jerusalem avenged themselves on Hapoel Yehud for their state Cup semi-final defeat, with 2-0 home win yesterday. Uri Malmilian cracked in a sizzling 20 metres shot in the 9th minute and Amos Maimon added the second from a Sami Malka pass. Yehud were without their master ball player Shalom Rockman who has amassed nine yellow warning cards. But Rockman will be in the Yehud line-up for the Cup Final against Hapoel Tel Aviv on Wednesday.

Hapoel Tel Aviv also took an early lead, Shabtay Yachness scoring in the 3rd minute against Maccabi Haifa at Bloomfield. Haifa fought back determinedly until the end, missing several fine scoring chances until they snatched an equaliser through Reuben Held in the 84th minute. Hapoel's goalkeeper Arie Bejerano was the man of the match.

Goals by Shmuel Travass and 38 year old Meir...

season, came in the second division where Hapoel Tel Hanan amassed a 5-1 win over promotion chasing Hakoah Ramat Gan at their Winter Stadium. Hakoah led 1-0 in the 13th minute, but gloom set in for them thereafter while Hakoah were suffering. Maccabi Yavne made no mistake and beat Hapoel Tiberias by 4-0, to make their debut in first division football next season.

National League Results

Shimshon 0, Hapoel Kfar Sava 0
Hapoel Tel Aviv 1, Maccabi Haifa 1
Be'er Yehuda 3, Hapoel Peta 1
Hapoel Petah Tikva 0, Betar Tel Aviv 0
Maccabi Netanya 4, Hapoel Rishon 1
Maccabi Jaffa 2, Maccabi Petah Tikva 0
Betar Jerusalem 2, Hapoel Yehud 0
Hapoel Lod 0, Maccabi Tel Aviv 0

FINAL STANDINGS

	W	D	L	Goals For	Goals Against	Pts
1. Hapoel Kfar Sava	17	5	4	45	28	42
2. Maccabi Netanya	17	7	6	63	29	41
3. Be'er Yehuda	13	9	8	34	30	35
4. Be'er Sheva	14	6	10	43	38	34
5. Hapoel Tel Aviv	9	13	8	32	31	31
6. Betar Jerusalem	9	12	9	37	36	30
7. Maccabi Haifa	9	12	9	32	30	30
8. Maccabi Tel Aviv	10	10	10	26	32	30
9. Maccabi Peta	9	11	10	35	35	29
10. Hapoel Peta	8	13	9	24	26	29
11. Jaffa	9	11	10	32	29	29
12. Shimshon	7	14	9	25	28	28
13. Yehud	6	16	8	17	28	28
14. Rishon	8	10	13	28	32	26

Liverpool in style

LONDON. — Liverpool duly clinched the English league soccer championship for the fifth time in the last seven years and the 13th time in the club's history with a come-from-behind 3-1 win over FA Cup finalists Tottenham at Anfield yesterday. Second-half goals from Mark Lawrenson, Kenny Dalglish and Ronnie Whelan made sure of the Merseyside celebrations.

Ipswich, runner-up to Aston Villa last season, saw their slim championship hopes torpedoed when they crashed 3-1 at home to Nottingham Forest, whose hero was 19-year-old Peter Davenport, scorer of a 21-minute hatrick in the second half in only his fifth league game. Alan Brazil scored Ipswich's solitary goal.

England midfielder Glenn Hoddle had given Spurs a 26th minute lead with a powerful 30-yard shot which boosted the Londoner's hopes of winning at Anfield for the first time since 1912.

But the 70-year run without success continued after Lawrenson and Dalglish scored for Liverpool in a three-minute spell soon after half-time. Whelan made sure of the title with an 88th minute goal which sent the packed Kop end among the 48,122 crowd into a frenzy.

Ipswich had to defeat Forest to stand any chance of the title, but found themselves down after 64 minutes with Davenport, who was born in Liverpool, scoring both goals. Brazil raised Ipswich's hopes briefly with his 27th goal of the season after 67 minutes, but Davenport put the issue beyond doubt in the 72nd minute.

Ipswich's only consolation is another UEFA Cup place next season.

Liverpool manager Bob Paisley said after his team's triumph: "The motivation factor behind winning



Liverpool's Ronnie Whelan, second from left, beats Spurs' Garth Crooks to head the ball goalwards in Liverpool's 3-1 triumph at Anfield which assured them the English championship. (UPI telephoto)

Ipswich manager Bobby Robson, whose team finished second for the second straight year, paid tribute to Liverpool. "I have nothing but admiration for them," he said. "They were the most consistent club in England and deserved the title."

Although Wolves are relegated, the rest of the promotion places remain in doubt. Even bottom club Middlesbrough still has a theoretical chance of avoiding the drop. Both Middlesbrough and Leeds staged stirring late comebacks to salvage victories.

Division One Results

Arsenal 4, Southampton 1
Aston Villa 1, Everton 2
Coventry 0, Birmingham 1
Ipswich 1, Notts Forest 3
Leeds 2, Brighton 1
Liverpool 3, Tottenham 1
Manchester Utd 2, Stoke 0
Nottingham 1, West Bromwich 2
Sheff Wed 1, Manchester City 0
Swansea 1, Middlesbrough 2
Wolves 2, West Ham 1

	W	D	L	Goals For	Goals Against	Pts
Liverpool	41	26	5	70	32	86
Ipswich	41	25	5	71	32	80
Man. United	42	22	12	59	29	78
Tottenham	41	20	11	60	46	71
Nottingham	42	20	11	48	37	71
Arsenal	41	21	9	54	38	69
Swansea	42	19	9	54	37	66
Southampton	42	17	13	50	50	56
Everton	42	14	16	42	57	38
West Ham	42	14	16	42	57	38
Man. City	42	13	17	42	57	38
Notts. Forest	42	13	17	42	57	38

Amritraj upsets Lendl

KOBE, Japan (UPI). — Unseeded Vijay Amritraj of India yesterday upset Czechoslovakia's Ivan Lendl, currently the hottest player in world tennis to reach the final of the \$200,000 Gunze tournament here. The top-seeded Czech, who had won 15 of his last 18 tournaments, was unable to master his opponent's strong serve-and-volley game as Amritraj edged his way to a 7-6, 3-6, 7-5 victory. It was only the fourth defeat in 94 matches for Lendl.

Amritraj meets second-seeded Sandy Mayer in today's final. Mayer had an easier semifinal out-gunning fellow-American Vince Van Patten 6-0, 7-6.



Vijay Amritraj

The women's semifinal was an all-American affair, with title-favourite Tracy Austin defeating third-seeded Pam Shriver 7-5, 4-6, 6-3 and Kathy Jordan going through at the expense of second-seeded Andrea Jaeger, who retired with back and hip pains after the fifth game of the opening set. Doctors who examined Jaeger said she will need about three-weeks treatment to recover.

Injury also caused the retirement of top-seeded Jimmy Connors from the \$250,000 German Open in Hamburg.

The 29-year-old American was trailing Ecuadorian Andres Gomez 0-5 in the first set of their quarter-final match when he was forced to bow out with a twisted ankle.

Jose Higueras of Spain was the surprise qualifier for today's final when he swept past American Gene Mayer 6-2, 6-2, 6-2 in yesterday's semifinal.

Higueras meets defending champion Peter McNamara. The Australian reached the finals by downing Andres Gomez of Ecuador 7-5, 6-1, 6-2.

Gretchen Rush was an all-American final in three thrilling sets as she took the women's singles of the Italian junior tennis championship yesterday. Rush, 18, third-seeded and the conqueror in the quarter-finals of Israel's Raketa Binyamin, downed Beth Her 6-7, 7-6, 6-4 in a three hour battle.

Giants humbled

NEW YORK (AP). — Left-hander Steve Carlton pitched no-hit ball well into the eighth innings before settling for a two-hitter, but it was enough for the Philadelphia Phillies to blank the San Francisco Giants 2-0 in Friday night's American baseball action.

It was the Phillies' fifth straight victory and their 11th in 12 games. In other National League games, Fernando Valenzuela scattered seven hits and Dusty Baker hit a leadoff home run in the sixth as Los Angeles defeated New York 4-1, snapping the Dodgers' four-game losing streak and the Mets' four-game winning streak.

National League Results

Montreal 5, San Diego 7
Philadelphia 2, San Francisco 0
Pittsburgh 9, Cincinnati 7
Atlanta 2, St. Louis 1
Los Angeles 4, New York 1
Chicago 6, Houston 3

Eastern Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
St. Louis	21	13	.618	—
Philadelphia	17	15	.531	3
New York	17	16	.515	3 1/2
Montreal	15	18	.452	7
Pittsburgh	13	17	.433	6
Chicago	14	19	.424	6 1/2

Western Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Atlanta	22	11	.667	—
San Diego	16	15	.516	5
Los Angeles	17	17	.500	5 1/2
San Francisco	15	19	.441	7 1/2
Cincinnati	14	18	.438	7 1/2
Houston	14	20	.412	8 1/2

American League

Detroit 4, Minnesota 2, 11 innings
Texas 4, Toronto 3, 11 innings
Milwaukee 2, Chicago 1
California 5, Cleveland 2
New York 7, Oakland 4
Baltimore 11, Seattle 4

Eastern Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Boston	22	11	.667	—
Detroit	19	12	.613	2
Milwaukee	17	14	.548	4
New York	15	16	.484	6
Cleveland	14	17	.452	7
Baltimore	13	18	.419	8
Toronto	13	19	.406	8 1/2

Western Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Chicago	20	11	.645	—
California	22	13	.629	—
Kansas City	18	15	.545	2
Oakland	18	17	.514	4
Seattle	15	21	.417	7 1/2
Texas	9	19	.321	9 1/2
Minnesota	11	25	.306	11 1/2

Lakers roll on

SAN ANTONIO, Texas (AP). — Kareem Abdul-Jabbar scored 26 points as the Los Angeles Lakers took command late in the first quarter and rolled to a 118-108 victory on Friday night over the San Antonio Spurs.

Caesarea golf

CAESAREA. — Mottie Cohen of Or Akiva and Jeff Paradise of Ramat Hasharon shared the honors in yesterday's individual stroke play tournament here. They each shot a 70 to take joint first prize in the "A" division competition. The "B" division was won by Victor Nizchuk, who also shot a 70. Dick Fogelson of Jerusalem and Aviva Dostler of Haifa teamed up to win Friday's better ball stroke play event. Their 65 net was two good for the other 68 pairs.

Islanders almost there

VANCOUVER, (AP). — Clark Gillies and Mike Bossy beat Vancouver goalie Richard Brodeur from close range in the second period, leading the New York Islanders to a 3-0 victory over the Canucks and moving them to within one game of their third straight Stanley Cup ice hockey.

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No relief in sight

IT WAS widely expected that April's rate of inflation would be high. Nevertheless, the announcement that the expected happened, at the staggering rate of 10.7 per cent — at 33.1 per cent on a four-month basis the highest since 1953 — is no consolation. It is, in fact, or should be, an indication of utter failure of economic policy.

Four months into 1982, the annual average, based on the first four months of the year, would be 136 per cent.

Finance Minister Yoram Aridor's promise to bring this year's inflation down to 90 per cent has already collapsed on statistical grounds alone. To accomplish his goal, inflation for the rest of the year would have to run at some 4 per cent a month.

That would clearly be impossible even if Aridor were not subject to political constraints. With elections in the offing, either sometime this year or next, with rumblings of war in the north, with a domestic policy based on the bribery of splinter parties, with a foreign and defence policy that is unpredictable and unplanned, subject to the impulses of the defence minister, the chief of staff, or the prime minister whom they hold a mental captive, there is no more room for economic policy.

It has often been said, quite rightly, that the rate of inflation in a single month should not be taken as an indicator of the trend for a longer period. Nevertheless, the data published for April are a signal of bankruptcy.

What these data prove is that Aridor's purchase, last year, of an artificially lower rate of inflation, at the cost of some IS40b. in subsidies, was a costly borrowing against time. Evidently, this repression of inflation cannot be continued without fuelling inflation by massive printing of money that is required to finance more subsidies.

As a temporary measure, there might have been a case for restraining inflation temporarily with the help of subsidies, price controls and arm-twisting of various kinds. Aridor spent tens of billions on the first, dabbled in the second, and played around with the third. No programme, no policy, not even a single idea of using a respite to revive economic growth was ever formulated. Aridor did nothing to put the economy back on its feet on a lasting basis. In fact, industrialists complain that his policy has generated more uncertainty in all respects than that of any of his predecessors. The result is stagnation.

The immediate issue facing the Treasury is negotiations for wage levels of the next two years. April's price rise proves clearly that real wages have been eroded sharply — they are back to the average level of the last two years, and below the level agreed upon in the wage agreements now expiring. Since the beginning of the year, prices have risen by 33 per cent, while wages have gone up by something over 20 per cent, if the so-called "erosion allowance" of IS425 a month in the public sector is included. All the gains of Aridor's generosity in last year's election campaign have, therefore, been more than wiped out.

What of the future? Aridor was helped, this year, by world-wide drops in the real price of commodities — fuel, meat, wheat and others. Nevertheless, he was unable to devise a policy that might have initiated a trend of price stabilization.

As time goes on, his task becomes more difficult. There is and cannot be any certainty that the favourable international conditions that prevailed in 1981 will last. There is near-certainty that the domestic situation will become more precarious, as a new election campaign approaches.

The government is hardly able or concerned enough to devote time and attention to a thorough discussion of economic policy. And even if it would, there is no reason to believe that it could devise anything like an economic policy.

The government, squeezed between the jaws of the vise of an expensive foreign and defence policy and the extortions of Agudat Yisrael, Tami, the NRP, and the various Knesset factions now being wooed by Prime Minister Begin, simply cannot cut public expenditure and devise a policy that could bring down inflation and make sense generally.

RECENTLY I witnessed an incident that was both interesting and revealing. In an International Relations class at the Hebrew University, the professor was giving a lecture on terrorism. To help illustrate one of his points, he read a passage from the writings of Leila Khaled, the Palestinian terrorist who participated in the hijacking of a TWA plane in 1969.

In the course of the hijacking, she ordered the pilot to make a detour: she wanted an airborne tour of Israel. Seeing the country for the first time since 1948, she was overwhelmed with emotion. The passage describing her experience includes an almost erotic longing for the "fatherland" and a profound desire to return to its fields, cities, and deserts.

As soon as the lecturer started reading this rather bombastic nationalist ode, a number of students began to fidget and giggle — a rather peculiar reaction from university students to something that was anything but a joke.

Afterwards I puzzled over this reaction. Could it have been that the narrative was so bombastic as to make it seem ridiculous and therefore laughable? Perhaps. Yet I could not help but wonder whether a similar passage from the pen of a nationalist Jewish writer (and, indeed, the passage could easily have been mistaken for the work of any of a number of Zionist poets or writers) would have evoked a similar response. No, such sentimental longing for Eretz Yisrael would have seemed perfectly natural to most of these students.

I therefore concluded that what had caused the peculiarly tense reaction was the realization that such a thing could be written by a Palestinian. That a Palestinian ter-

A land loved by two nations

'Those in Israel who recognize the legitimate existence of Palestinian nationalism are the realistic ones,' writes DANNY SHAPIRO.

rorist could so poetically express the same spiritual attachment to this land that so many of us feel was, apparently, an unsettling revelation; and the physical/psychological response of laughter, murmuring and fidgeting was the student way of expressing that peculiar discomfort.

THIS ADMITTEDLY liberal interpretation of a rather prosaic incident points up a much deeper phenomenon in Israeli-Jewish psychology: the utter inability of so many of us to come to grips with, or even acknowledge, the profound truth which binds the Palestinian people to this land, a bond which is in many ways a mirror of our millennial longing for Eretz Yisrael.

The reasons for our inability to face this reality run deep and wide, and cannot all be touched upon here. One of the most common characteristics of nationalism is the failure to perceive "the other side" as it really exists. As a nation we in particular have been forced by our historical experience to be introspective and self-concerned; the ignorance on the part of early Zionist leaders and settlers concerning the "native population of Palestine" is legendary.

It is likely, moreover, that our blindness towards the other side is an understandable defensive reaction to decades of unremitting Palestinian hostility to our very existence. This psychological

tendency had been further aggravated by the cynical manipulation of the Palestinian issue by the Arabs and the world community in order to achieve various ignoble political ends.

None of this, however, changes reality. And that reality is that there is a Palestinian nation which loves this land every bit as much as we do and whose dreams of returning to it are no more extinguishable than ours were during 1900 years of exile. Arrogant arguments that "no nation which truly loved its homeland could let it go to waste" (the way the Palestinians supposedly did over the centuries) will not alter this painful but stubborn fact.

FOR THIS reason it is so grotesquely ironic to hear those who would like to establish a "Greater Israel" accuse the Israeli peace camp of "dangerous naivete" and of "not facing reality about the Arabs." The truth is precisely the opposite: those in Israel who recognize the legitimate existence of Palestinian nationalism are the realistic ones, whereas those who deny or shut their eyes to it are the unrealistic ones, who live in a world of fantasy and illusion.

Coming to grips with this reality does not necessarily mean, of course, becoming a supporter of Peace Now or Shalom Me'Imad. I imagine there are a number of Greater Israel supporters who have made a dispassionate assessment of

reality but who nonetheless have come to believe, for varying reasons, that the Palestinian nation should not be given self-determination — at least not in any part of Western Palestine. A lot, I imagine, depends on one's world outlook. That is, one may recognize the existence and tenacity of Palestinian nationalism but nevertheless conclude that our right to this land is not only more valid but also exclusive in relation to Palestinian rights. Alternatively (or simultaneously) one may conclude that Palestinian hostility is permanent and immutable and that therefore any thought of compromise would be suicidal folly. This conclusion reflects an extremely pessimistic (and social Darwinist) philosophical outlook.

My impression is, however, that most Greater Israel supporters, and especially those in the political establishment, are simply too blinded by their own historical experience and narrow outlook to face the fundamental reality of the Palestinian people. Prime Minister Begin expressed this particular attitude perfectly recently when he dismissed Palestinian demonstrators on the West Bank as "hooligans." Hooligans? I doubt if Begin would take too kindly the characterization of his pre-state Irgun freedom fighters as "hooligans." What he and so many others who share his line of thinking refuse to admit is that these "hooligans" are

motivated by precise national dreams and... Begin and the rest of... movement were driven... while we are justifiably proud the 2,000 years of persecution, dispersion, assimilation, etc., failed to dampen our national aspirations many people in this country refuse to give the Palestinians the same credit; they seem to think that the Palestinians will just dry up and blow away.

ONE OF THE inevitable responses to all of this will be: "Why don't we recognize them? The Palestinians are the ones who have been fanatically unrealistic, and have brought tragedy on themselves."

This is quite true; yet it is basic to the point, not only because we do not want to repeat the mistakes of others, but also because "Palestinian problem" is not the "Israeli problem" — it is a problem too. In the end, perhaps the skeptics will be proven right: perhaps the problem is insoluble. But that possibility should not prevent us from trying to solve it.

One of the marks of a healthy mature nation (and political leadership) is its ability to face reality and act accordingly. A refusal to recognize the Palestinian reality is a sign of weakness, a strength. A continuation of this attitude can only bring a continuing spiral of war, hatred, and grief. Jews and Palestinians alike. Successive Israeli governments have brought us to the precipice of a disaster. We must find a way to back before it is too late.

The author is a member of editorial board of Shalom, a cultural and political journal of kibbutz movement.

POSTSCRIPTS

PS VLADIMIR Feltsman probably won't make it to his musical debut in New York's Lincoln Centre on June 14. The young Russian-Jewish pianist, described as "brilliant" by the French paper *Le Figaro*, has not been granted an exit permit by the Soviet authorities. If he does not appear, however, the show will still go on, and a concert of music and dance will be held to benefit Feltsman and the Soviet aliyah movement.

Feltsman and his wife applied for a visa to Israel in 1979, but the authorities confiscated and erased his tapes, cancelled his concert, removed his recordings from shops and designated him as a "non-person." Performers like Daniel Barenboim and Pinchas Zukerman have written to Soviet President Leonid Brezhnev about the case, but to no avail. J.S.

PS HERE'S a nice spring story from one of our readers. "After two months in cold, snowy, rainy Chicago, I returned home to Jerusalem the evening of Independence Day to find that a dove had built her nest in my favourite spider plant. One egg was lying there. I awoke in the morning to much cooing and found that the dove had laid another egg during the night. It was truly a welcome that filled my heart. Not only did we have the luck that the dove had built a nest on the window, but the second egg symbolized the vitality and potential of new life that I felt when I returned to Israel." H.A.

PS THIS YEAR'S 20 highest-ranking graduates of the Hillel elementary school in Stockholm have been awarded a rare gift by the school's parents committee: a one-month study tour of Israel. At the suggestion of an Israeli emissary in Sweden, Shmuel Cohen, and with help from the World Zionist Organization, the pupils will spend part of their summer vacation here. Hillel is the only Jewish school in Sweden. J.S.

THE A.D.L.'S STAND

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post: Sir, — I refer to Israel Amrani's report of April 29 that the Stop the Withdrawal Movement in Sinai allegedly received encouragement from government bodies and Jewish organizations in pursuit of their aims. The report singles out the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith as, according to an unnamed source, exhorting the movement to draw attention to the settlers' plight.

It is true that the movement's representatives met with A.D.L. officials in New York, just as the activists met with numerous other Jewish and non-Jewish organizations. This is consistent with a long-standing tradition within the American Jewish Community of meeting with Israelis, representing the broad spectrum of political opinion, during their frequent visits to the U.S. But the allegation that the A.D.L. encouraged the movement's representatives in their bid to stop the withdrawal is completely unfounded and totally inconsistent with the League's stated objectives.

ABRAHAM FOXMAN,
Associate National Director,
A.D.L.
New York.

Israel Amrani comments: My source did not allege the A.D.L. as a body aided the movement, but rather that A.D.L. officials did. Moreover, A.D.L.'s support of the Camp David process does not contradict my source's claim that the government and U.S. Jewish organizations made political capital of the Stop the Withdrawal Movement's activities.

EL AL WORKERS

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post: Sir, — What is paradoxical about the El Al controversy is that the extortionate policies of Agudat Yisrael is motivated by a sincere belief in the holiness of the Sabbath and the secular demands for a viable and vital national air carrier are motivated by hypocrisy and greed.

If we are to believe those who insist that in this modern world *halacha* cannot be allowed to determine or interrupt the efficient operation of a crucial state agency, such as the national airline, then let them set up a regular rotation system in which the weekly day off is varied and Saturday is just another day in the normal, continuous operation of all air traffic.

What we have are two minority groups, Agudat Yisrael and the El Al workers, who are past masters at squeezing the public for their own special political and economic interests, and the Aguda far outnumber the workers and its motives are purer.

JOSEPH A. REIF, PH. D.
Ramat Gan.

FAMILIAR SCENARIO

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post: Sir, — The poor British are starting to feel like Israelis. They have managed to compress into a month-long crisis our country's 35-year history. They started with an appeal to the UN. Diplomatic efforts lead nowhere. So they adopted "get-tough" military policy. And now they're sinking ships outside the blockade zone they imposed and their allies are expressing "concern." That triggers Mrs. Thatcher's anger, and results in a more aggressive British policy. The growing wave of world condemnation of British "over-reaction" will

FANTASIES

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post: Sir, — While disavowing the misleading slogans of Peace Now, I do wish to point out to Avner Tomasschoff (Letters, April 5) that, by drawing an analogy between Israel and its Arabs after the 1948 war with the current struggle, he indulges in the same wishful thinking he attributes to the "pacifist camp."

In the first place, the Arabs of the West Bank, unlike the Bulk of the Arabs of Jaffa, Ramle, etc., will not fold up their tents and steal softly into the night.

Secondly, we have witnessed in our lifetime the tragic consequences of the attempt of one people to forcibly rule over another, particularly when the latter forms an overriding majority in the area in which it is settled. (I intentionally refrain from designating Israel as a colonial power so long as its presence in the West Bank is of necessity and not of design.)

And finally, it is not wishful thinking that, at a time when emigration far exceeds immigration and when a considerable segment of Israel rejects the prospect of absorbing a sizable Arab population, Mr. Tomasschoff proposes to "infuse a mighty influx of Jews in Judea, Samaria and the Gaza region... including the most densely populated Arab centres, until our presence there is accepted as unalterable." His fantasy is a worthy complement of the fantasy of expecting the Arabs of the West Bank to dissociate themselves from the PLO for the promise of annexation, Jerusalem. AHARON M. SINGER

MOUNTAIN CLIMBING IN JERUSALEM

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post: Sir, — In "Where the action is" (Today — April 7), Sandra Peypys Heidecker mentions the rappelling and mountaineering courses offered by Metsukei Dragot, the film on birds produced by the Society for the Protection of Nature, as well as ornithologist Yossi Leshem of the Har Gilo Field School. Therefore, I thought your readers might be interested to know that Yossi Leshem will be showing the film and lecturing in Hebrew on the subject of birds of prey in Israel on May 20 at Heli Hamalka 13, Jerusalem, at 8.30 p.m.

The lecture, "Raptors and cliffs," will be sponsored by the Israel Alpine Club, which also sponsors rock climbing activities and courses throughout the country. The club is a member of the International

Union of Alpine Associations and under the auspices of the Sports Physical Education Authority of the Ministry of Education.

The Jerusalem branch of the Israel Alpine Club conducts climbing sessions every Friday afternoon in Gai Ben Hinnom (near the Cinematheque). In addition, a day of exhibition climbing is being planned for May 21, to be held in Gai Ben Hinnom. Further information can be obtained from the National Secretary, Shmuel Rosen, by writing to the Israel Alpine Club, P.O. Box 53, Ramat Hasharon 47100, or by calling me at 02-812484.

PAUL SHARON, Secretary,
Jerusalem Branch,
Israel Alpine Club
Jerusalem.

HELP OFFERED

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post: Sir, — Recently, a group of immigrants who had belonged to the age group Shevet Moriah (now 29 years of age) of Bnei Akiva of North America got together for a reunion. They expressed a desire to do more for Israel than just live here. They would like to offer their experiences and homes to olim, *ba'alei teshuva* or troubled youth, who are looking for a place to settle down.

These immigrants live on kibbutzim, moshavim, in Judea and Samaria, the Golan, Jerusalem, Beersheba and Ra'anana. They are teachers, engineers, psychologists, social workers. They are on the whole olim who have "made it."

THE FANATICS OF YAMIT

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post: Sir, — In reports of the events in Yamit, the people on the rooftops were described as religious fanatics. Fanatics, yes, religious, never. They designate basic concepts of Judaism. They bring total disrespect on Judaism which secular people link with their behaviour.

S.M. CANNING
Kibbutz Kfar Hamaccabi.

MISLEADING HEADLINE

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post: Sir, — I must protest your front page headline of May 3, "Girl shot as driver fires at protesters near Hebron." It conjures up a picture of a peaceful procession of placard-carrying protesters being viciously fired upon by one of those Jewish zealots. Only further down, in small print, does one discover that the poor guy was probably (and justly) scared for his life by a rock-throwing mob.

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